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RECORD BUSINESS

MERCHANTS REPORT BIGGEST HOLIDAY TRADE IN YEARS

MONEY PLENTIFUL HERE

Farmers Getting High Prices for Most Anything They Have to Sell—Stores Crowded Today

This has been the biggest Christmas shopping year in Maryville's history. Maryville merchants say so. For two weeks prior to the big holidays shoppers have been busy and stocks have had to be renewed in many instances to supply the demand. The farmers have more money than ever before. A wagon load of live stock, corn, grain or any other kind of farm product finds a ready sale at prices hardly dreamed of, and this money is going into the various channels of trade.

"The people are not asking prices," said one merchant today, 'but are buying more liberally than ever before." The buying has not been put off this year, as is generally the case, as gifts for the soldiers were sent some weeks ago. Last year there was an uncertainty, due to the war and what it might bring, but with almost a year of it, business has returned to normal, and better than normal, for the most part. Then, too, money has been saved through food conservation, and the saving is shown in the holiday buying.

"This will be the biggest holiday buying year Maryville will ever have," said Harvey L. Haines, of the Haines store. "Our business has exceeded that of any former year in business here. Last week was a record breaker for us and buyers seemed not to be interested in prices, but in getting the goods."

"Best Christmas trade I ever had," declared Bruce Montgomery, of the Montgomery Shoe Co. "Our business Saturday and all last week was away ahead of any other week before Christmas we ever had."

"Just fine. Couldn't ask for it to be any better," said Paul Kuchs, of the Kuchs Bros. "We have had all the business we could handle."

"We haven't had a chance to check up yet, but I am sure our holiday trade this year has been away ahead of any year that I know of," said Ralph Eversole, of Eversole & Son. "We have been busy all the time."

The Alderman-Yehle Dry Goods Company reports an unusually heavy holiday trade, and especially in the toy department. The largest stock this store has ever carried has been almost sold.

Corwin & Murrin, clothiers, report a holiday business this year far in excess of other years and salespeople have been busy from early morning until late in the evening.

"Fine as silk," was the way H. L. Raines, jeweler, expressed it. "Best business we have ever had, and they are buying more expensive presents this year," he added.

"My business has been better than usual," said Frank Reuillard, confectioner and baker. "We have had

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"This is for You."

GOOD OLD FASHIONED COUNTRY BALL.

Thursday, Dec. 27, 1917

Everybody Come.
Big, little, young and old.
One evening of real pleasure.

W. O. W. Hall
Dances for All.

FOR SALE—CAR OF POTATOES—

Extra fine, $1.30 per bushel—good cookers. See P. M. TAYLOR or C. R. WILLIAMS, First door north of Edwards' Cafe.

Our Christmas Week Special

With every suit you have cleaned and pressed we will press your Overcoat or extra suit FREE. Our prices are $1.00.

Ladies' Suit and Skirt cleaned and pressed for $1.00. (Plain).

Becker Cleaning Co.

Phone 402.

NO PAPER TOMORROW.

Tomorrow, Christmas Day, the Democrat-Forum will observe a holiday. No paper will be printed.

MRS. BURNHAM IS DEAD

Was Sister of Mrs. Warren Jones and of Mrs. Gladfelter of Quitman

Mrs. H. E. Burnham died at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her home in St. Joseph. Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon at the residence. She is survived by her husband, one son, one daughter and two sisters. Her sisters are Mrs. Hattie Gladfelter of Quitman and Mrs. Warren Jones of Maryville.

Lieutenant Braniger Home.

Lieutenant Earl Braniger, who is stationed at Camp Dodge, Des Moines, Ia., is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Braniger of Maryville.

E. R. Owens has filed suit against Thaddeus Armstrong, charging nonperformance of contract.

2,000 TO MAKE GOAL

NODAWAY IS YET FAR BEHIND IN RED CROSS DRIVE

WORKERS REPORT 3,600

Chairmen In Ten Townships Will Keep at It Until Late This Evening—Campaign Ends Tonight

Hurry! Get your name down on the Red Cross membership list. Nodaway county is little more than half way to the goal and we must go "over the top" with 6,000 members tonight. With reports in from ten townships there are not 4,000 members reported by the workers and it will take a big, concerted effort to get the other 2,000 today.

Nodaway county must not fail in the Christmas Red Cross drive after having established a record in a former campaign for war aid. The workers are determined to reach the goal and are doing their utmost to enlist the aid of all who are not members.

With ten townships having reported at noon today the standing is as follows:

Polk, 1,300.
Monroe, 400.
Independence, 400.
Hopkins, 250.
Hughes, 100.
Grant, 250.
Lincoln, 150.
Nodaway, 300.
Jackson, 200.
Union, 300.
Total reported, 3,700.

Today is the last opportunity the people of Nodaway county will have for another year to become Christmas members of the American Red Cross.

Ten million new members of the Red Cross are wanted in the United States when the campaign closes at 6 o'clock tonight. It is the desire of the government to cable the American boys in France that five million old members of the American Red Cross and ten million new recruits, making fifteen million earnest hearts at home, send them Christmas greetings and wish them success; also that this great body of people is pledged to do everything at home to aid in making them victorious.

If you have not handed over your dollar, do it this evening. Don't let word go out to headquarters that Nodaway, the richest county in the state, failed to get her quota. It's your chance to do your part in the work of mercy.

Christmas 1917

Your Lad, and My Lad

By Randall Parish.

DOWN toward the deep-blue water, marching to throb of drum,
From city street and country lane the lines of khaki come;
The rumbling guns, the sturdy tread, are full of grim appeal,
While rays of western sunshine flash back from burnished steel.
With eager eyes and cheeks aflame the serried ranks advance;
And your dear lad, and my dear lad, are on their way to France.

A sob clings choking in the throat, as file on file sweep by,
Between those cheering multitudes to where the great ships lie;
The batteries halt, the columns wheel, to clear-toned bugle-call,
With shoulders squared and faces front they stand a khaki wall.
Tears shine on every watcher's cheek, love speaks in every glance;
For your dear lad, and my dear lad, are on their way to France.

Before them, through a mist of years, in soldier buff or blue,
Brave comrades from a thousand fields watch now in proud review;
The same old Flag, the same old Faith—the Freedom of the World—
Spells Duty in those flapping folds above long ranks unfurled.
Strong are the hearts which bear along Democracy's advance,
As your dear lad, and my dear lad, go on their way to France.

The word rings out; a million feet tramp forward on the road,
Along that path of sacrifice o'er which their fathers strode,
With eager eyes and cheeks aflame, with cheers on smiling lips,
These fighting men of '17 move onward to their ships.
Nor even love may hold them back, or halt that stern advance,
As your dear lad, and my dear lad, go on their way to France.

Christmas 1917

BUSINESS SCHOOL CHANGES

Will Be Known as Business University —Will Open for Pupils on January 2

The Business University, which succeeds the old Maryville Business College, will open January 2. Prof. C. L. Padgett, President, and Miss Anna Mae Herfel, who will have charge of the stenographic department arrived in the city this morning and immediately began completing arrangements for opening the school on the above date.

In addition to the courses formerly taught in the college, courses will be given in salesmanship and telegraphy. It is said that the railroads and commercial companies are now hard pressed for operators.

Both day and night schools will be conducted and all who can attend both sessions will be urged to do so and finish the courses in the shortest possible time, as the school is now having ten times as many calls for help as it can supply and the demands are increasing.

The office of the school will be open Thursday, but Prof. Padgett may be seen at the Bainum Hotel.

George Crowson Here From St. Joseph.

George M. Crowson, reporter on the St. Joseph News-Press, arrived in Pickering Saturday night to visit over Christmas with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Crowson. Crowson, who was former city editor of the Maryville Tribune, is also visiting friends in Maryville.

Here From La Grange.

Kenneth Van Cleve of La Grange, Mo., arrived in Maryville yesterday to visit his mother, Mrs. W. C. Van Cleve, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Van Cleve.

Will Spend Christmas Here.

Miss Helen Burris of St. Joseph, Prof. C. G. Harrel of Atchison, Kan., and Robert Burris of Tulsa, Okla., will arrive in Maryville tonight to visit over Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burris.

Will Be Buried in Maryville.

J. W. Miller of Barnard received word yesterday of the death at Petersburg, Fla., of his father, L. Miller. The body will be brought to Maryville for burial and will arrive on Wednesday or Thursday.

DEATH OF ABSOLAM BRUNER

Father of Mrs. J. H. Neal of Myrtle Tree Died Yesterday After a Two Weeks' Illness

Absalom Bruner, father of Mrs. J. H. Neal of the Myrtle Tree neighborhood, died yesterday, following an illness of nearly two weeks. Heart trouble was the immediate cause of death. Mr. Bruner was 81 years old. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at Myrtle Tree church conducted by Rev. C. S. Dayhoff of Pickering, and burial will be in Myrtle Tree cemetery.

Mr. Bruner was a native of Illinois and at the age of 17 came to Nodaway county, where he resided until twenty-two years ago, when he removed to Red Cloud, Nebr. He came last September to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Neal. Other children who survive are: Mrs. Elizabeth Kaminsky, Sherman and Timothy Neal, all of Red Cloud, and Charles Neal of Sterling, Colo.

Farm Lands Sold.

John Anderson has sold his 210 acre farm two miles north of Maryville to J. B. Nunnelly for a cash consideration of $170.00 an acre. Possession will be given March 1. The deal was handled by Nash, Anderson & Woodard Realty Co.

J. P. Norris has sold 40 acres three and one-half miles southwest of Arkoe to Campbell Thompson. Holmes & Wolfert made the deal.

Mrs. W. T. Garrett, accompanied by her son, M. K. Garrett, left yesterday for Des Moines, Iowa, where she will spend the holidays with her daughters, Mrs. Harry Foster and Miss Lou Garrett. Miss Jennie Garrett, who is studying music in Chicago, will join the family at Des Moines.

Judge Pleas Schmidt of the county court, returned this mornin from a business trip to Otis, Colo., and Bridgeport, Nebr.

LEGAL BOARD BUSY

REGISTRANTS SEEK ADVICE ON QUESTIONNAIRE

ARE AFRAID OF MISTAKES

There is a Severe Penalty for Not Returning the Question List Within Seven Days

The legal advisory board to assist registrants in answering questionnaires is finding the job no sinecure. Members of the board have all but abandoned efforts to look after their own private business. Almost during every business hour from one to half a dozen men are waiting in the offices of members of the board for assistance in filling out classifications. Other lawyers not members of the board are giving their time in helping the registrants.

L. C. Cook, one of the members of the advisory board, said today that they had found plenty to do and that registrants were in most cases utterly at a loss to know how to begin on the questions. Mr. Cook said that most of the men who came just brought the blank along and asked that it be filled out for them. "They are afraid they will get something wrong and they want us to do the whole thing so that all chance for a mistake may be eliminated," said Mr. Cook.

The attorneys say that most of the men could fill most of the questions themselves if they would give it the proper study, and when they come to the questions they cannot answer to bring the partially filled blank in and thus save a lot of time.

The job is a great big one as will be readily understood when it is remembered that there are over 2,000 registrants in this district and it takes twenty days sending out one hundred questionnaires a day to get them in the mail. There is a severe penalty for not returning the questionnaires, filled out, within seven days from the time they were mailed.

Many thanks for your patronage during 1917 and a Merry Christmas to all.

The New York Candy Kitchen.

PEACE WITH AN IRON FIST AND SWORD

KAISER BILL IN SPEECH TO HIS ARMY BREATHES DEFIANCE AND VIOLENCE

CLAIMS VICTORY ON THE FLANDERS FRONT

A London Dispatch Says He Is Contemplating Calling Congress of All European Soverigns In Effort to Settle the War

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

The Hague, Dec. 24.—The kaiser made a speech to the second German army today breathing defiance and violence. He claimed the German arms had been victorious at Cambrai and in Flanders and declared that they must bring peace by the iron fist and the sword.

London, Dec. 24.—A report that Germany had rejected the Russian peace terms and had withdrawn from the parley, is erroneous, say advices from several sources. German envoys are studying Russian peace plans and will reply soon. A report from Copenhagen says the Kaiser contemplated calling a general congress of all the sovreigns of Europe in an effort to settle the war.

Russia's peace program of Chancellor Von Hertling has been approved by the federal council.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Serions difficulties have arisen between the German government and the Serialists over the conclusion of the armistice with Russia, says a Zurich dispatch to Paris which also adds that meeting of the Serialists have been forbidden.

Paris, Dec. 24.—The Germans continue massing troops on the west front and raiding and artillery fire has increased.

Rome, Dec. 24.—The Germans were forced back in the Venetian Alps and their attempt to take Asolone failed. The boast of the Teutons to be in Venice by Christmas has also failed because of the brave resistance of the Italians. The Teuton artillery along the Piave is active and at Brenta the infantry is active.

A WHITE CHRISTMAS AND COLD

Sudden Drop in Temperature With Snow Is Predicted

A cold wave is sweeping toward the middle west and indications point to a white Christmas with the thermometer registering raound ten above zero, according to a weather forecast. The mercury will gradually go down with snow flurries, it was predicted.

Raised Pastor's Salary.

The Presbyterian church held a congregational meeting yesterday afternoon and voted to increase their pastor's salary $300.

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* THE WEATHER *
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Cloudy and much colder tonight; cold wave in the north and west portions. Tuesday fair and colder.

Empire Theatre, December 26

Robert Hichen's Soul-Stirring Drama—

"The Garden of Allah"

A Story of Love's Pilgrimage o'er the Sands of Life, with

Helen Ware

And a Cast of 5,000 People.

Georgeous in Its Beauty—
—Colossal in Spectacular Effects

Showing the terrific sand storm, the most magnificent and appalling scene ever produced for stage or screen. Revealing in its multitudinous, ever changing scenes love's story of a man's human passions and woman divine.

A Selig production presented by Allen Film Coropration, Chicago.

PRICES—25c and 35c and War Tax.

A Merry Christmas

Best Wishes to the Patrons of the

Empire Theatre

for a Joyful Holiday Season

Feature Tonight

Empire Theatre

Paramount Pictures, with

Wallace Reid and Myrtle Stedman

The Popular Young Artist, in

The World Apart

Unusual Plot with Thrilling Situations.

Once again glad Christmas comes with its old associations, its merry meetings and good wishes. May it come to you laden with happiness, and all that is good and true, is the sincere wish of the

HOLMES JEWELRY COMPANY.

GREETINGS FOR 1918.

The spirit of the season prompts us to express to you
OUR APPRECIATION
of all the favors shown us and to wish you in return all the joys and brightness of
A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

PRICE & McNEAL.

WE APPRECIATE

The liberal patronage the public has given us in the last year, and wish each and everyone

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

HUDSON & WELCH.

REUILLARD'S

Wish you and yours
A very Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year.

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A RED CROSS CHRISTMAS.

Many people are revising their Christmas lists this year. The pleasant habit whereby Susan sends Mary a pink hand bag and Mary sends Susan a lavender hand bag—which neither of them would have bought for herself—while Tom sends Dick a box of cigars and Dick sends Tom a more or less superfluous meerschaum pipe, is not appropriate at this time, when people whose cause we have made our own are suffering for the necessities of life, and soldiers who are fighting our battles wait in pain for the ambulance.

The Red Cross wants ten million new members this holiday season. It wants all the money the resources and generosity of the American people can supply.

Make it, first of all, a Red Cross Christmas.

Your Christmas does not need the usual litter of acknowledgments and Christmas cards this year. It can well take all that for granted. What it decidedly does need is knowledge that from your comfort and security something has gone out to alleviate a little the boundless woe in Europe. Without that knowledge it will be a selfish, niggard Christmas—which is no Christmas at all.

There should not be in all the United States a single Christmas gathering without its membership in the Red Cross, and a contribution to that cause as liberal as the means of the family will allow.

Every Christmas list needs revision this year, with the Red Cross at the top. If you have not done it already, write it down now.—Saturday Evening Post.

SOAPLESS DAYS ARGUED BY YOUNG VIRGINIA LAD

Huntington, W. Va., Dec. 24. — A new war propaganda that is certain to be taken up enthusiastically by young America was given a start in this city by Jimmy Wallen, a school boy, who has been active in the different war activities. Wallen, who is always spick and span, suggests a "soapless day," saying it is easy to keep clean without using soap one day a week. The "soapless day" would help conserve fats so badly needed by the Allies, Jimmy declares.

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EYES EXAMINED FREE

Our expert graduate Optometrist will diagnose your eye troubles and tell you what you need. The service is free at

KUCHS BROTHERS
222 N. Main Street

ARGENTINA A STRONG ALLY

Regarded Far More Valuable Than Spain to United States and Other Nations Fighting Germany.

When the congress of Argentina voted to sever relations with Germany the people of the most powerful neutral left in the ranks of the pacifis s showed their determination to join the allies. Argentina could work more good to the allies than could Spain. Her war potentiality is greater, for while her army is only 24,000 strong, compared to the 140,000 which Spain maintains, according to a publicist, her wealth far surpasses that of the older nation. Argentina is young, strong, clean-limbed. Spain is old, fuddled and doddering.

The South American republic was the last dangerous nation whose people turned against the kaiser. Its entrance into antagonism to Teutonism would mark the final and crowning blunder of German diplomacy.

None of the passive nations could give the allies so much in the way of vital help as could Argentina. After the United States, her sympathy and determined support are more to be valued by the democratic powers than any other unembroiled nation. Now she is girding her loins to follow her great Northern sister into the good work.

Argentina's population is only 8,000,000, in comparison to the 20,000,000 of Spain, but her manhood is developing while Spain's is anything but aggressive. Her character is made of cosmopolitan forces, the best and hardest of the adventurous races.

BATTLE FIELD DEATH TEST

Minimum Quantity of 33 Per Cent Solution of Dionin Recommended to Academy of Medicine.

Uncertainty as to whether a person be alive or dead is especially great on the battlefield, and prompt decision in such cases is far more important than in civil life, writes a correspondent at the front. Dr. A. Terson has just recommended to the French Academy of Medicine a new test, those already known having proved insufficient. The best of these latter has been the injection of fluorescein, as devised by Icard. But even this is uncertain, for in some cases men who are still alive do not show the green coloration of the whites of their eyes following injection, which the test is supposed to produce.

Dr. Terson recommends placing in the eye a minute quantity of a 33 per cent solution of dionin (ethyl-morphine), glycerine. If death has already taken place, nothing happens, but if the man has the slightest trace of life still in him the white of his eyes will immediately turn purplish-red and swell, but this inflammation will disappear rapidly and leave no ill effect.

Dyes and Worms.

In order to determine the action of dyes when taken into the system, N. A. Cobb of the United States department of agriculture, selected for experiments the tiny worms called nematodes. It is well known that certain of the aniline dyes have peculiar affinities for certain sorts of living cells, observes a chemist, so Mr. Cobb tried various dyes on these worms and watched their action under a microscope. He found that different organs received different dyes, so that he was able to tint the internal apparatus of the nematodes in several colors and thus watch them clearly under his microscope. And he discovered some strange facts, not the least of which is that the dyestuffs undergo a chemical action in the creature's body to such an extent that you can never tell what color your dye will produce until you have tried it. Another fact of great importance is that he has found that different granules of the same cell absorb different dyes and manifestly perform different roles.

Expect New Comet.

A spectacle in the sidereal heavens of surpassing brilliancy may be expected the coming spring if the predictions of cometary observers are verified. Not since the great comet of 1858, which aroused a vast deal of interest, has an appearance in the sky equaled what is confidently expected for 1918. The return of Halley's comet in 1910, which had anxiously been awaited, did not come up to what had been predicted and expected, and since 1882 there has not been any especially brilliant comet seen. The newcomer is described as a gigantic comet, outclassing in size and brilliancy all those seen in modern times. It will be a thing of glory in the northwestern sky throughout the spring, astronomers say, probably remaining visible for three months, being at its brightest in June. It is now speeding toward the sun at an approximate rate of 1,134,246 miles a day.

Americans Train in Italy.

Near a small town in Italy a handful of Americans are training for aviation service.

The Giornale d'Italia says they already have acquired a practical knowledge of piloting and that they have given proof of their perfect discipline and seriousness of purpose. Their instructors have expressed the greatest satisfaction with their work.

The inhabitants of the town came out in crowds on their arrival to welcome the allies who had crossed the ocean from the country to which so many Italians had emigrated. They displayed the greatest curiosity in watching the Americans in their leisure hours playing tennis and baseball, which are unknown in that part of Italy.

I'll Show You How-

Housewives of America are Saving Thousands of Dollars!

We want every housewife in MARYVILLE to know what Calumet Baking Powder is—how much it means in economy and better baking. We have gone to great expense to introduce Calumet to the ladies of this city and trust you were home when our lady representative called. If you have missed her do what millions of others have done—give Calumet a trial. All the housewives who have learned of Calumet have welcomed it, and all feel many times repaid for giving it a trial on account of the splendid results they now obtain from their bakings.

Calumet has proved itself of immense value in saving money—in saving materials and in producing the most tempting and wholesome bakings.

If You Are Not Familiar With Calumet Learn the True Facts

and decide for yourself. If Calumet is what we say it is—if it is what millions of housewives say it is, *you want it.* If it is not exactly what we claim, you won't use it. We leave the decision entirely to you, but don't allow anything to prevent your giving Calumet a trial.

Many housewives buy cheap brands with the idea they are saving money. They don't appreciate that uncertain baking powders are expensive at any price and waste vastly more than they cost. Others pay exorbitant prices supposing they are getting higher quality—when, in fact, they are paying *more* than the best baking powder in the world is worth.

To both classes of buyers Calumet reveals true baking powder economy. Its uniformity of quality—*the highest quality that can be put into baking powder* — prevents bake-day failures, spoiled materials and loss of time. Protecting you against rising food prices by insuring light, sweet, tasty pastry. It is the best baking powder that can be had—still it is *moderate* in price—25 cents per pound—costs less than Trust brands and but little more than cheap, unreliable brands. Calumet is economical in both cost and use.

Calumet Baking Powder is Used in Millions of Homes

by leading Domestic Science Teachers, in Domestic Science Schools, Hotels, Restaurants and Railroads. It is preferred where standards of purity and economy are highest.

Calumet is manufactured in the largest, finest equipped and most sanitary Baking Powder Plant in the world. It has enjoyed a steady growth in demand for 28 years and today more pounds of Calumet Baking Powder are sold than any other brand. If it weren't superior, it wouldn't be the greatest seller.

Calumet Baking Powder contains only such ingredients as have been approved officially by the U. S. Food Authorities. Every can purchased carries a *money back guarantee.* Try it—at *our risk.*

You save when you buy it—You save when you use it.

HIGHEST QUALITY AWARDS

Miss Jessie Lyon went to Conception Saturday to visit for a few days at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wohlford.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

USES 25,000 STAMPS TO MAKE COAT OF ARMS

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 24.—Twenty-five thousand cancelled postage stamps, representing thirteen administrations, have been used by Mrs. Sarah Erickson of this city to make a government coat of arms. The stamps were gathered in the last 25 years.

The coat of arms represents an American eagle with outspread wings, and below it are five spears and a shield. Three stamps are from the George Washington administration. A lodge has offered Mrs. Erickson $2200 for the picture, but she has refused it. She still is gathering stamps for the completion of the work. She will add the words, "Liberty," and "E Pludibus Unum."

Eyes Tested Free
Glasses Fitted
We Guarantee Satisfaction.
H. L. Raines
West Third Street

Times may change, but Friendship
Strengthens as the years roll by.
May the Holiday Season bring good
Fortune, both to you and Us.

Sisson Loan & Title Co.
Established 1865.

Merry Christmas

We extend hearty greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THE BEE HIVE
Home of Good Shoes

CONVICT PREFERS "PEN" RATHER THAN LIBERTY

Portland, Ore., Dec. 24.—Detective headquarters was surprised when Charles Peterson, 65 years old, shambled up to a sergeant and begged to be sent to the penitentiary at Jackson, Mich.

The man had "done" twenty-nine years on a charge he never recognized. His "home," around which moved his only thoughts of shelter and food, was within the stern walls of the penitentiary at Jackson.

Peterson, when given his liberty, desperately strained to regain his lost art of living, but, snatched from a former generation at his prime, he could not keep step with the "mechanical age," so he returned in bewilderment back to the "pen."

He will be there for Christmas.

SORE THROAT
or Tonsilitis—gargle with warm, salt water then apply—

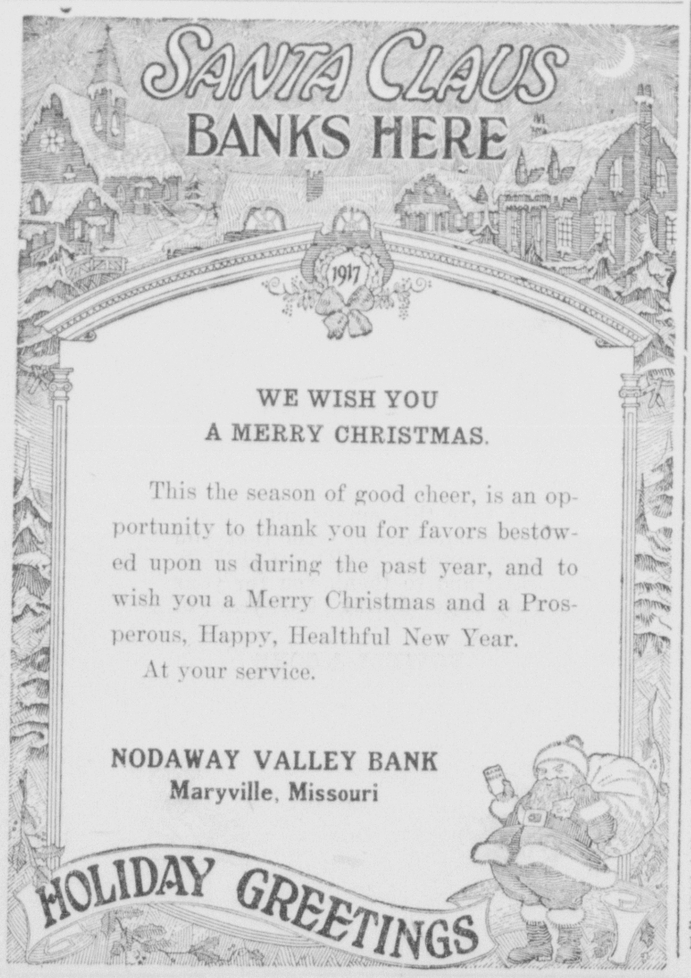
Keep a Little Body-Guard in Your Home
VICK'S VAPORUB

Mrs. Eva Fickel and little daughter, Louraine, of Omaha, arrived in Maryville yesterday to visit Mrs. Fickel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Braden.

The heart's yearly message
Old times bring to mind,
When fond thoughts go seeking
Dear friend's hearts to find.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR.

EDWARDS' CAFE.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BANKS HERE
1917
WE WISH YOU
A MERRY CHRISTMAS.
This the season of good cheer, is an opportunity to thank you for favors bestowed upon us during the past year, and to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous, Happy, Healthful New Year.
At your service.
NODAWAY VALLEY BANK
Maryville, Missouri
HOLIDAY GREETINGS

TALKING MACHINE OF 1772

Had Wooden Mouth With Lips of Soft Leather, and Was Invention of Erasmus Darwin.

That someone was puzzling over the idea of making a phonograph as early as 1772 is proved by an extract from a hitherto unpublished letter by Dr. Erasmus Darwin (grandfather of Charles Darwin) to Benjamin Franklin, quoted by Dr. L. Hussakof in Science. "I have heard," wrote Dr. Darwin "of somebody that attempted to make a speaking machine. Pray, was there any truth in any such reports?"

And Dr. L. L. Woodruff of Yale university quotes the following interesting paragraph from a note in the "Temple of Nature," published by Erasmus Darwin in 1802:

"I have treated with greater confidence on the formation of articulate sounds, as I many years ago gave considerable attention to this subject for the purpose of improving shorthand; at that time I contrived a wooden mouth with lips of soft leather, and with a valve over the back part of it for nostrils, both of which could be quickly opened or closed by the pressure of the fingers, the vocality was given by a silk ribbon about an inch long and a quarter of an inch wide stretched between two bits of smooth wood a little hollowed; so that when a gentle current of air from bellows was blown on the edge of the ribbon it gave an agreeable tone, as it vibrated between the wooden sides, much like a human voice. This head pronounced the p, b, m and the vowel a with so great nicety as to deceive all who heard it unseen, when it pronounced mamma, papa, map and pam; and had a most plaintive tone when the lips were gradually closed."

NO MIDDLE CLASS IN CHINA

Display of Only Most Expensive and Cheapest Merchandise in Stores Proves the Fact.

An observant traveler in China will not fail to notice when purchasing articles of daily necessity, that there are only two classes of articles—the most expensive and elaborate and the cheapest and crudest. This is but a proof of the absence of a middle class, says East and West News.

A fox fur gown worth a thousand dollars or a giant herb valued at a hundred dollars is not at all uncommon in China, but practical and well-made articles that would be welcomed by middle-class men are hardly obtainable. Those who admire Chinese handicrafts as achievements beyond the power of Japanese artisans do so because they have only seen articles intended for upper-class customers willing to spend countless dollars upon luxuries. Those, on the other hand, who declare Chinese artisans hopelessly crude, are men who have seen only the cheap articles intended for the masses.

Japanese who judge the ancient arts and industries of China by the best productions of the Han, Tang, Sung, Yuan, Ming and Ching dynasties that have been preserved here, forget that crude articles of common use have never crossed the sea of Japan and that only articles of the best kind came here as merchandise during the many centuries of commercial intercourse between the two countries.

Alaska Women Pretty.

A visitor remarked about the good looks of Alaskan women, and the fact that they dress with taste. Of course, our Northern women are pretty. "Why shouldn't they be?" queries the Anchorage Times. They enjoy absolutely pure air, drink water as fresh as that from a mountain spring, get plenty of exercise, and take an active part in community affairs. They are cosmopolitan the same as the men are, and well-read and well-informed. As everyone knows, there is nothing so beautiful as good health. It is a joy even to see an Alaskan girl swinging along with a free, firm tread instead of the mincing step of her sister in the states, who gives the impression she is stepping on eggs. The Alaskan girl looks you squarely in the eye, gives you a frank hand-clasp and is sure of herself at all times.

Cures for Sore Throat.

One teaspoonful of pulverized sulphur and two teaspoonfuls of granulated sugar (taking one teaspoonful once in four hours) will cure a sore throat.

Spreading a cloth with lard and sprinkling it with turpentine will also cure a sore throat or a cold in the chest.

Burn sulphur on an old shovel or dust pan and carry it through the rooms in a home and this will prevent others from catching cold or sore throats off one who has them.

Gargle salt and tartar for sore throat.

Use mustard paste made of one part mustard to three or four parts flour for a cold or any form of larynx or throat or chest colds.

Encourage Stammering Child.

Never laugh at a child who stammers. Rather, seriously try to help him while he is a child, for the habit grows. Make him stop and rest a moment, then have him repeat what he was saying, very slowly, even resting between words. This alone often corrects the trouble. When you see that your child is embarrassed, do not hurt him, but wait, smiling encouragement, and when he is more at his ease, say, softly, "now I am ready to listen," just as if you, and not he, were the cause of the delay.—Buffalo News.

JAP SOLDIERS IN WAR GAME

Trench Fighting at Night, Mining and Counter-Mining Included in Modern Combat Practice.

The week's fighting maneuvers of the Engineers' battalion of the Japanese Imperials Guards and First division were carried out on a scale never before attempted, says the East and West News. The war play occurred at Otahara, in the Tochigi prefecture. The operations included rival armies' trench fighting at night, exactly as practiced in the present Europe war. Mining and counter-mining, with many other special features of modern warfare, were practiced. The present type of hand grenades was used.

Japanese were first to introduce these missiles at Port Arthur, but the recent form of the grenade is quite changed and the weapon much improved. The Mills standard bomb, a British invention, was chiefly employed. It is about the size and shape of a large lemon, is made of steel, the outside corrugated into 48 small squares which, upon explosion of the bomb scatter in a wide area. It will not explode until released from the hand of the thrower. A lever, fitted into a slot at the top, extends halfway around the circumference and is held in place by a fixing pin. A small metal ring upon this pin renders its extraction easy when ready to be thrown. In casting, the bomb and lever are tightly grasped in the right hand, the left foot is advanced and the bomb is hurled with an overhead bowling motion, much as in cricket. As the bomb leaves the hand, the lever, actuated by a spring, is loosened and falls to the ground, thus removing an impediment to the true flight of the missle. When the lever flies off, a strong spring is released, forcing the firing pin into a percussion cap. This ignites the fuse, which burns until the main charge of ammonial explodes.

UNKNOWN LAKES AND RIVERS

Interior of Labrador Found to Possess Many Unmapped Bodies of Water and Streams.

Chains of lakes hitherto unmapped and rivers equally unknown were traversed in the interior of Labrador by the exploring parties of representatives of the National Geographic society and the Carnegie museum, Pittsburgh, which arrived at St. Johns, N. F., recently, says a correspondent. The journey covered about 750 miles over a route never before traveled by white men and was made more difficult by the fact that the five Indians who were taken along as guides proved to be unfamiliar with the country.

The party included E. B. C. Todd, curator of ornithology in the Carnegie museum; O. J. Marie, curator of mammals in the same institution, and Alfred Marshall of Chicago.

They left Seven Islands bay on the north side of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, about the end of May and traveled north by canoe and portages, reaching Fort Chimo, near Urgava bay, August 22. In addition to mapping the country, they studied its natural history.

Mr. Todd said the existing maps of a large district were found to be very inaccurate and altogether misleading, having been made by guesswork from information supplied by Indians.

German Mayor Has Sense of Humor.

The Prussian town of Altwasser has developed a humorous burgomaster. The Schwaebische Tagwacht says:

"The burgomaster of Altwasser, who has been flooded with anonymous letters accusing him of failing in his duty as regards the food supplies, has caused a reply to his accusers to be posted at the town hall. It reads:

"'I am blamed in letters for the scarcity of potatoes, for the heavy rains and the consequent muddy state of the streets, and for the unlawful appropriation of food cards on the part of many of the inhabitants. Besides the writers of these missives attack me for providing my household with more than I am entitled to and for pocketing public funds as salary.

"'I invite some of these pettifogging spirits, who have no other resource than to besmirch the reputation of their public officials, to come and dine with me any Sunday.

"'They would regret not having stayed at home to partake of the meat with which they are no doubt provided, instead of the cabbage and turnips which they would find representing the joint on my table.'"

Japanese Seek Match Outlet.

Plans are now under way to secure a wide market in foreign countries for matches of Japanese manufacture. At one time Japanese matches had an excellent market both in the East and in the West, says the Pathfinder, but, owing to lack of standardization of the product and to the marketing of inferior goods by some of the manufacturers, it finally fell off quite seriously. It is now proposed rigidly to maintain a high standard of quality in all Japanese matches and to have the product of all members of the newly formed match manufacturers' federation inspected before shipment abroad.

Men Must Go Out Shopping.

One result of the replacing of men by women in many of the British industries is the increase of shopping by men unfit by age or physical disability for army service, notes a correspondent. Tradespeople, who have noticed the gradual increase of their men customers, are not at all adverse to the innovation, because they find generally that a larger amount of business can be got through in a given time.

FIND "LOST TOWNS"

WAR BRINGS THREE FORMER TOWNS BACK TO LIFE

ARE OVER BIG COAL BEDS

College Mound, Old Bloomington and Moreyville Were Well Known Fifty Years Ago

Macon, Mo., Dec. 24.—Three Missouri "lost towns" are being revivified by the war. They are College Mound, Old Bloomington, once the county seat of Macon county, and Moreyville.

It's the urgent demand for coal that's revivifying them. College Mound, Old Bloomington and Moreyville each roost on thick coal beds and operators are now negotiating for raising, or have them on the the way, to extend the coal spurs through these beds. Moreyville, a hamlet now of two or three houses, is on the Santa Fe railroad and will be the center of operations for twelve miles north and south.

All these beds have been prospected and extensive development is planned. Hundreds of new families will be added to the towns.

Before the Civil War Moreyville was known as "Gooseville." Tradition has it that one night the citizens, dissatisfied with the name, met in the tavern and after prolonged discussion selected a committee to play "seven-up," the winner being authorized to name the new town. "Pop" Wilson, the blacksmith, was triumphant, and he named the place after his wife, whose name was Mercy.

Fifty or sixty years ago College Mound, Old Bloomington and Mercyville were on the main highways of state roads and were as well known as Macon, Hannibal and Sedalia are today.

Miss Sallie Wilson of Smithville, Mo., is visiting in Maryville with Miss Lucile Holmes.

DR. W. W. TURNER
OSTEOPATH
Treatment of bowel, liver and nervous diseases a specialty.
Office over Alderman-Yehle Store
Both Phones.

NOT BECAUSE it is an honored custom, but because of our sincerity, we wish you a good old Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

B. A. FROST,
The Produce Man.

AGINOMOTO IS LATEST IN CAMOUFLAGED DISHES

Denver, Colo., Dec. 24.—War prices for food stuffs will have no terrors for citizens of the United States if they adopt the "meat camouflage" invented by Dr. K. Ikeda, a Japanese chemist of note.

"Aginomoto," or "taste creation," the brown men call it.

Yutaka Tanaka, a Japanese commercial agent visiting in Denver, describes "aginomoto" as a preparation made mostly from the humble turnip. It is manufactured in powder form and when spread on any article of food it imparts a delicious meat flavor.

BILLIE BURKE SUCCUMBS TO TEST NOT ON SCREEN

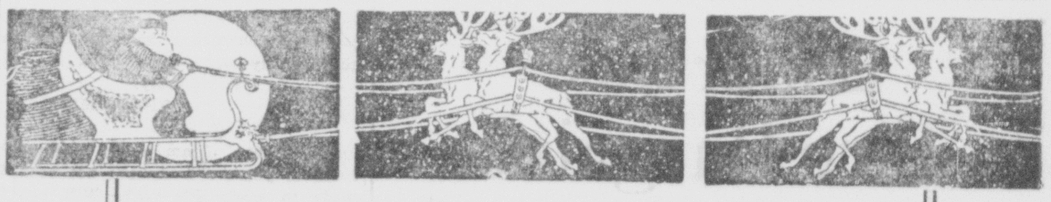
New York, Dec. 24.—Billie Burke—Mrs. Florenz Ziegfield in private life—is suffering from an experience in real life which outstrips anything she ever attempted in stage or movie experience. When her automobile stalled in snowdrifts, Miss Burke and her husband walked for six hours through two miles and a half of unbroken snow piled fields. She arrived home utterly exhausted and continues to suffer from cold and exhaustion.

Not in the Trust

FOR CHRISTMAS — Give
Peggy Best Hand Made
The Party Hand Made
Little Devil, or
Minco Cigars.
Maryville's Oldest Factory—

HANSEN'S

Reduced prices on cigars to soldiers.



The
Banks of Maryville

will be closed on

Christmas Day

Christmas being a legal Holiday, the banks will not be open for business.

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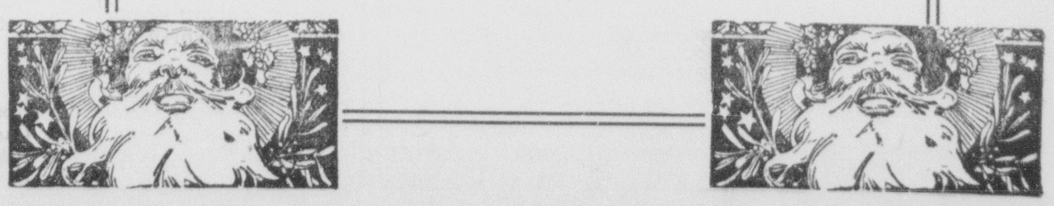
Real Estate Bank
Farmers Trust Co.
Gillam-Jackson Loan & Trust Co.



We thank you for your liberal patronage during the year.

May Santa Claus make this a very Happy Christmas for you.

Closed all day Christmas.

Stapler's Market

North Side Square.

TO RETURN KAISER'S HONORS

St. Louisans Who Have Received German Decorations Will Return Them to "the Gentleman"

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—St. Louisans who possess decorations conferred by the Kaiser are renouncing the German decorations.

The Kaiser conferred honors upon several St. Louisans for courtesies shown to Prince Henry when he visited the United States in 1902, and as a result of the World's Fair in 1904.

Matthew Kiely, Chief of Police, at the time of Prince Henry's visit, who was decorated with the order of the Red Eagle from Prussia, said, "I renounce the damn thing. I have a boy at the front. I am under no obligations to the German government."

William S. McChesney Jr., president of the Terminal Railway Association, said he lost his "Red Eagle," but would return it "to the gentleman" if he ever found it.

Rolla Wells, mayor at the time of the Fair and now Governor of the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, said he may return his decoration.

William J. Holland, director of Carnegie Institute, Prof. Francis Greenwood Peabody of Harvard University and others throughout the country say they will return the German "honors."

Will Arrive Tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Holmes and little daughter, Martha Lucile of Concordia, Kans., will arrive in Maryville tomorrow to spend Christmas with Mr. Holmes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Holmes.

Endurance Tire Bargains

Being slightly overstocked with tires and desiring to dispose of my present supply at once, we offer for this week only:

30x3½ Non-Skid Endurance Tire $19.00
30x3 Non-Skid Endurance Tire $16.00

These tires are guaranteed to give 5,000 miles of service. Hurry if you want a real Bargain.

Tilson's Garage
209 East Fourth Street

The Grown-Ups Write Santa Claus, Too

Dear Santa: If you have any presents left after you fill up the rest of the stockings, just bring me an honest meter, a few kilowatts, some short circuits and a lot of currents.

CHARLIE HELLMERS.

Dear Santa: I guess I don't want anything this year for my sheriff's badge will wear until next Christmas and then, maybe, if I am a good boy, you will bring me a new one.

JOHNNIE DOWDEN.

Dear Santa Claus: I don't want anything myself, but please bring the bunch at Orear's some new fish yarns; the old ones are getting moth-eaten. Sincerely,

JOHNNIE DAWSON.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a case of Bevo and some pretzels. If you can't get down the chimney with them leave them under the back porch where the rest of the fellows won't find them. Your friend,

PAUL KUCHS.

Dear Santa Claus. Our folks need a new court house mighty bad, for our old one is getting badly worn out, but we won't ask you to bring it this year, you've got so much to do; so just bring us some good bridges and a lot of culverts. Don't forget my two little brothers, Pleas and Georgie.

WILLIE BLACKFORD.

Dear Santa: I want a new joke book and plenty of dates, is about all this year. Your friend,

ROLLIE HOSMER.

Dear Santa Claus: I think I have been a pretty good boy and I want you to bring me an injunction suit, a case of habeas corpus and a new trial.

Yours truly,

ELLIS COOK.

Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring the Kansas City Star to us a little quicker. It's awful wearing on the nerves to have to wait for war news, and the crowd at Godsey's get all the chairs before I get there.

CHARLIE HAWKINS.

Dear Santa: I'd like for you to bring me a divining rod. Maybe I could find a lot more stuff some of these Polk township tightwads had concealed somewhere that would look good on my assessment books.

Yours truly,

FRED SMITH.

Dear Santa. I am a dry goodist. I am 49 years old. I have not been tardy to work this year. Will you please give me one thousand potions with which to inoculate the women of Maryville with the buy-at-home germ? That is all for this time. Goodbye.

HARVEY HAINES.

P. S. Please, Santa, don't forget to bring the other merchants some, too.

Dear Santa: During war times I don't feel like asking for expensive presents. All I want to know is, whether or not it is proper for a bachelor to be more thankful for what he does not get than for what he does get, and if two hearts can really beat complacently when they are made one. Your knowledge-snatching friend,

HARRY STINSON.

Dear Santa Claus: I am county clerk. I have worked hard all year and been as good as I know how. I would like you to send me a Lightning Question Answerer guaranteed to evolve 100 answers per minute. If you haven't any in stock, I think you could get one of Ringling's circus. Your friend,

FRED J. YEOMANS.

Dear Santa: I would like a filing cabinet for Christmas presents; one of these new ones with a card index system so I won't get Elizabeth's gift confused with the one of Mary Belle sent me. You have been there, Santa, and you know how I would feel if I thanked Elizabeth for my tenth smoking set when she sent me a beautiful pillow done in green and lavender (my eighth color symphony). Please send me a big one so I can file away the old collection, too. Goodbye, Santa.

EDDIE SCHUMACHER.

Dear Santa: I'd ask you to bring me a picture that everybody likes, only I know you won't have any left, so just bring me a good book or two, "How to Sell Light Globes in Coon Hollow," or, "Why Does an Electric Range Wear Switches?"

AL KUCHS.

Dear Santa: Please bring me some straight forward, honest corn seed that will bring me the right kind of a crop next year. I don't want any of that dratted, pesky stuff that comes up over night and then quits growing just as soon as the neighbors begin to say, "how fine your corn looks. Also, if you have any new ideas on "How a Banker Can Be a Farmer" I would like a few. Your old pal,

CAL PIERCE.

Dear Santa: if you have any good dispositions to spare, please see that all drug purchasers have the same kind of a disposition after Christmas as they had before. And please, Santa, don't let the women think the gun is mightier than the powder puff, and please don't let their Christmas dinners upset folks' stomachs too awfully, even if my medicine is a sure cure. Your friend.

ED G. OREAR.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a hotel keeper. I treat my boarders right. I never yet have counted the grains of sugar. The only thing I want for Christmas is some waiters who are deaf in one ear and cannot hear the boarders when they ask for a second helping. Goodbye until next Christmas. Your friend.

HARVE BAINUM.

Dear Old Santa: Will you please bring me a deputy Burbank to help me take care of my summer potato crop, some baked bean and pumpkin pie seed and a sure tip to win on a five without a bid, doubled.

Your old friend,

AUGUSTUS ROMASSER.

Dear Santa: I will tell you what I want for Christmas. It isn't very much. I just want a machine that will flip the festive dollars from folks pockets into my clothing store. You know I want one of those 1918 twin six models that will run in high and never turn turtle when it meets a tightwad. Goodbye.

JIMMIE MONTGOMERY.

Dear Santa: I would like a manual of instructions on "How to be Happy, Though Mayor," and if you have any to spare I would like a sure hiding place when coal is the subject of conversation. Your friend,

ARTHUR ROBEY.

Dear Santa—I would like to have a special pinochle deck of playing cards. And I wish you would tell me—is pinochle a German game? Some of the fellows have quit playing with me and maybe that is the reason.

Your friend, Willie Staples.

Dear Old Santa—Well, I guess you'll have to bring me a Ford. I'll leave the old car out in front and you can have it, for it won't run. That'll be all this time.

Your friend, Roy Curfman.

Dear Santa—I wish you would bring me a real lively mule. I want it to kick the stuffin' out of some of the fellows that think a baker and confectioner don't have to pay war tax.

Yours sincerely, Frank Reuillard.

Look up, and not down;
look out, and not in;
look forward, and not back;
and lend a hand.

This motto of a famous society, written by Edward Everett Hale, is a good one for us today

"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, with the world still burdened with war, may seem hard to say. It will be, if we look backward. But if we look forward, we can think and plan a happy new year; and "lend a hand" to make it so."

We extend this wish to all our friends, and customers, and everybody else—

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Montgomery-Cummins Clothing Company
First Door North Nodaway Valley Bank.
The Home of Clothcraft and Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes.

Miss Nellie Devine of Council Bluffs, Iowa, arrived in Maryville today to spend Christmas with Miss Leola Frede.

Mrs. Ellwood Barrett and two sons, Erman and Elbert, left this morning for Skidmore to spend Christmas with relatives.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our kind neighbors and friends during the sickness and death of our darling baby. And the floral offerings, also.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blacketer.

FROM H. C. ALLEN, IN FRANCE

Is Now With Headquarters Company —Carl Groves Is Also In the Same Company

The following letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Allen from Harry Allen, cook with headquarters company, somewhere in France, gives assurance that the boys over there are being well taken care of . The letter, in part, follows:

Somewhere in France, Nov. 22.

Dear Parents:

Upon receiving your letter I am taking this opportunity to write you a few lines. I had been waiting for a letter for such a long time that I thought they were lost, but they got here at last. I do not suppose you have received all of my letters, as the mail conditions are very bad at present, at least coming this way. Carl Groves, surely you remember him, is here with me. We get together and talk about that place, where both of us would like to be. Yates has left me, he went to my old outfit, the wagon trains that are somewhere over here. I saw in the paper where Cory Cook was with Gen. Pershing's headquarters. I would like to meet him, but have not had the pleasure yet. If he is here I cannot find him, for I have been looking for him ever since I saw it in the paper. I and Carl are at headquarters now and have been for a couple of weeks. We have everything we need or will possibly need in the near future, except news, and we need all of that we can get, so with hopes of a letter soon, I am, as ever,

HARRY C. ALLEN, G. M. C.

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* WHO'S WHO *
* in the *
* WAR CONGRESS *
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Senator J. Hamilton Lewis.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Senator Jas. Hamilton Lewis is a "Rainbow Division" all by himself. No, this isn't intended to be personal, although, of course, Senator Lewis is rather famous for his whiskers and his haberdashery. Senator Lewis is a "Rainbow" in that his career has been spread over a large part of the United States. He has been a distinguished son in more different states than any other public man today.

"J. Ham" Lewis is forty-eight years old. He was born in Virginia, raised and schooled in Georgia, went to the University of Virginia, moved to the state of Washington, hopping away across the continent, became a member of the legislature there; later became congressman-at-large for the state of Washington; moved to Chicago, and after holding several public offices became United States senator from Illinois. If that isn't a real "Rainbow" career we are very much mistaken.

J. Hamilton Lewis hadn't been practicing law in Washington very long before he was elected to the Upper House of the legislature. After becoming congressman-at-large he was boomed by the northwestern Pacific coast states for vice-president at the Democratic convention of 1900. Senator Lewis also has had a military career. He was an officer in the Spanish-American war, being a member first of the staff of General Brooke in Cuba and then of General Frederick D. Grant in Porto Rico. He also was an accredited member of the commission which settled the Alaskan boundary dispute between the United States and England.

In 1903 Senator Lewis moved to Chicago. It took him only two years of practicing law there to become corporation counsel. In 1908 he was a candidate for governor of Illinois. In 1908 Illinois finally rewarded him by electing him United States senator. He is a member of the Interstate commerce commission and many other senate committees. He was chosen "whip" of the senate by the Democratic majority. Now he has been chosen as the suffrage envoy to call upon President Wilson.

Mrs. F. B. Frede left last night for Moscow, Ia., called there by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. D. C. Davis.

NOTICE—

There will be no papers delivered Christmas Day. The news stand will be open nearly all day for those who desire to call for their papers.

Barber Shop open until noon.

GODSEY'S.

We desire to express our appreciation of our pleasant business relations during the present year, and to wish you a

Merry Christmas.

J. A. SPEIRS.
Poultry and Dairy Products.

To those who have helped to make our business successful, we express appreciation, and wish you

A
HAPPY
CHRISTMAS.

A. D. STRONG
Barber Shop
218 North Main.

We take this opportunity to express our sincere wish that you may enjoy a MERRY CHRISTMAS and to thank you for your patronage during the year of 1917.

YOWELL & SONS.

A Merry Christmas

This year has been one of great activity in the electrical line in Maryville and vicinity and it has been hard at times to serve everyone promptly and efficiently, much as we have desired to do so,owing to the unusual condition both of the labor and material supply. We cannot, of course, promise a relief in market conditions, but we assure you that we will continue to use every effort to keep up the highest standard of service so far as matters are within our control, as we know that poor service is no builder of business.

It is our desire that all our patrons enjoy all the blessings the Holiday Season should bring and our wish that our relations may always be as pleasant as they have been during the last year.

Maryville Electric Light and Power Company

Empire Theatre Building
Maryville, Mo.

Mary Katherine Cook.

Funeral services, with requiem high mass by the Rev. Father Quinn, were held Tuesday at the Holy Family church. The Rev. Charles Berkheiser of Defiance, Iowa, was deacon of mass and the Rev. John Berkheiser of Harlan, Iowa, was subdeacon. The Rev. Father John Brady of Omaha was master of ceremonies. There was a large attendance. Pallbearers were: H. L. Tinley, Charles F. Paschel, J. P. Tinley, M. J. O'Rourke. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery.

She leaves three brothers, — Rev. John A. Cook, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Joseph A. Cook of Philadelphia, Pa.; Paul J. Cook, Maryville, Mo.; and one sister, Miss Margaret Cook of Philadelphia, Pa., and three nieces, Mrs. Joseph Hydinger and Mrs. Theodore Ludell, Crofton, Nebr., and Mrs. Charles Ludell of Council Bluffs, Ia.

Mrs. Ed G. Orear left yesterday for Kansas City where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. M. E. Ummethum, and her sister, Mrs. Charles Channing Allen.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU.

Is our sincere wish. May it be followed by a prosperous New Year. We believe that we have served our patrons faithfully in the last year and we hope that our policy of trying to please all will merit an increased trade in 1918.

GAUG[illegible] & WOODWORTH.
South Side Square.

Warning

To all persons intending to display a lighted candle behind their Red Cross window card or Xmas tree on Xmas Eve. Remember that lace curtains, lighted candles and children are a bad combination.

If possible, please use electric light.

If you must use a lighted candle, BE CAREFUL. An ounce of precaution is worth a pound of cure.

A. S. ROBEY, Mayor.
BURT M. ROWLEY,
Chief Fire Dept.

WHAT RED CROSS WORKERS ARE DOING

Kate Schenck

The Red Cross.

How broad is the Red Cross?

It is as broad as the skill of the surgeon in the story of lessening pain.

How long is the Red Cross?

As long as the nurse's vigil watching the wingless hours.

How deep is the Red Cross?

As deep as the Valley of the Shadow of Death whence it bears multitudes to the peaks of life.

How high is the Red Cross?

As high as human resolve that needless suffering and pain and death shall cease even in war; as broad as the ocean under the transport's keel; as long as the trenches where they stand guard; as deep as the love that embraced them and bade them go; as high as the throne whither prayers for them ascend. This is the breadth and length and depth and height of the Red Cross. It is fitting, therefore, that it should be linked with the approaching birthday of Him in whose childhood and life and death heaven touched earth and Mercy and Truth embraced.

Make it a Mercy Christmas.

—Robert Nelson Spencer.

Closed for Holidays.

On account of the Christmas holidays the Red Cross headquarters will be closed today and tomorrow.

Calendar.

Wednesday afternoon — Hospital auxiliary, Mrs. C. V. Martin, captain, and Shakespeare auxiliary, Mrs. W. J. Osburn, captain, meet.

Thursday afternoon — The Methodist Missionary Society, Mrs. Marvin Curnutt, meets.

Friday afternoon — The Methodist, South, auxiliary, Mrs. M. A. Peery, captain, meets.

Friday evening—The Evening auxiliary, Miss Ora Barmann, captain, meets.

Make Largest Weekly Output.

The shipment made Saturday afternoon from headquarters was the largest weekly output sent this fall. The shipment was six large boxes which contained 3168 surgical dressings, 244 hospital garments and miscellaneous pieces, 141 knitted garments and 40 pillows. The extra work of the holiday season has not made itself felt among the Red Cross workers for they are putting in their best efforts regardless of any outside circumstances.

Auxiliary at Arkoe.

A new auxiliary was organized last week at Arkoe with Mrs. O. D. Walker as captain and sixteen members to start work. The first working afternoon will be Thursday of next week.

Have You Done Your Share?

Do you think the Lord will listen,
Or answer any prayer,
The while a soldier over there
Is lifting up his voice to say:
Oh, no, it isn't fair.
I am sick and I am wounded,
And you haven't done your share.

—Mrs. Caroline Torrance.
418 West Third Street.

Lincoln Women to Work.

The Lincoln auxiliary, recently organized among the colored women, will meet Wednesday afternoon, January 2, in the lodge rooms on North Main street. The women have provided themselves with white aprons and caps and have equipped their room with a sewing machine, electric irons, tables and other necessary things for their work. Mrs. E. O. Boone, Jr., and Mrs. B. F. Smart have been taking instructions at headquarters this week and will be instructors for their auxiliary.

Bring in Large Amounts.

Barnard, Parnell and Pickering auxiliaries each brought in an excellent amount of work the past week. In addition to the regular supply of surgical dressings and garments, Barnard sent in a nice lot of comfort pillows and quilts, which were gladly received at headquarters.

A. M. W. Meets.

The A. M. W. auxiliary of Orrsburg met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dale Simmons. Nine workers were present and they made a record by finishing 135 compresses while there.

Busy Knitters.

Mrs. Jennie Heflin and Mrs. Sam Fryar of Ravenwood are doing a good big bit of knitting for the Red Cross as their share of help. Mrs. Fryar is 86 years old and has been constantly knitting socks, making many pairs, and Mrs. Helfin, who is 74 years old, has knitted five sweaters this fall for the Navy League and Red Cross.

H. L. Raines
JEWELER OPTICIAN
110 W. 3RD ST. JUST A STEP PAST MAIN
MARYVILLE, MO.

DESIRES to thank the people of this vicinity for their very liberal patronage throughout the past year. Their kind indulgence and appreciation is remembered and we wish each one

A Merry Christmas

G. B. ROSEBERRY IS CHOSEN

Elected Superintendent of Christian Church Sunday School—Unanimous Choice of Teachers

G. B. Roseberry, president of the Maryville Feed & Milling Co., was elected superintendent of the Christian church Sunday school yesterday by the official board, following a meeting of officers and teachers of the

G. B. ROSEBERRY.

Sunday school, at which Mr. Roseberry's selection was urged. Mr. Roseberry succeeds G. H. Westfall, who resigns after a most successful year.

Mr. Roseberry will name his assistants at a meeting of teachers and workers to be held this week.

Robert Bramble, who is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., and who has been quite ill of diptheria, is visiting a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bramble.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Here's
Wishing you
Bright and Sunny
Hours and Jolly Good
Fun Christmas Day.

J. J. Hall
Implements.

Society and Clubland

BY MISS LUTA MOODY
Hanamo 42. Farmers 114

Calendar.

FRIDAY — The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the First Methodist church will meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Null.

SATURDAY—Mrs. Arch Frank will be hostess to a party Saturday afternoon for the members of the P. E. O. Mrs. Roy Lippman will be assistant hostess.

Elks to Have Dance.

The Elks Club will hold their usual Christmas dance tomorrow evening at the club rooms. Music will be furnished by Maulding's orchestra.

Meeting Postponed.

The meeting of the Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club has been postponed from tomorrow to New Year's day, when it will meet with Mrs. Ralph Eversole.

Will Have Christmas Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Frank will entertain with a Christmas dinner tomorrow for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Beal Roseberry and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Frank and daughter, Prof. C. A. Hawkins and Ruskin Hawkins.

Entertains West End Club.

Miss Marion Sanders, assisted by her mother, Mrs. R. G. Sanders, entertained the West End club Friday night at her home on West First street. Eighteen members were present. The evening was spent playing cards, the prizes going to Marie Cloud and Harold Houchens.

A Family Reunion.

A family reunion and Christmas dinner was given yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Null. The guests included: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Partridge, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Null and family of Pickering, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wiley and family of Myrtle Tree, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Corken and family of Burlington Junction, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Null and family of Casteel Ridge and Wilbur F. Null of Cameron.

Met With Mrs .Gorton.

The Bloomdale Willing Workers met Thursday afternoon, December 20, with Mrs. Will Gorton. All but three members were present. One visitor, Miss Chloe Wray, was also present. A Christmas program and exchange was held. It was decided that the meetings during the winter, should begin at 2 o'clock instead of 2:30. The next meeting will be held in two weeks at the home of Mrs. Marion Gray.

Hammonds Surprised.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hammond of South Walnut street, who will leave the first of the year, were agreeably surprised yesterday when a number of their relatives gathered at their home with well filled baskets to spend the day with them. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pope and son, Donald and daughter, Neomia, Mrs. C. P. Schmidt and son,Max, of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Teson and son, Albert, Mr. and Mrs. G. Oto Riley, Mrs. Kate Cottrell, Frank Lawson and Fred Dyson of Skidmore and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cottrell of Graham.

Mrs. Evans Hostess.

Mrs. Perry Evans was hostess to the Pioneer Willing Helpers last Wednesday afternoon. Progressive dominoes were played. Prizes went to Mrs. Joe Kessler and Miss Anna Shanks. After the business session the Christmas box was opened and dainty refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Manning Moore. Mrs. Maggie Westfall and Mrs. Manning Moore were visitors during the afternoon. Those present were: Mrs. I. V. Moore, Mrs. Milt Swearingen, Mrs. Everett Dickey, Mrs. Joe Kessler, Mrs. Claude Neville, Mrs. John Lawson, Mrs. Earl Gay, Mrs. George Wright, Mrs. Roy Gay, Mrs. Will Rhoades, Mrs. C. C. Moore, Miss Anna Shanks and the hostess. The next meeting will be held January 2 with Mrs. George and Roy Gay.

Here From Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Langley of Kansas City arrived in Maryville on Saturday night to visit over Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Ralph Eversole.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Men Wanted

Over the age of eighteen, for street car conductors and motormen. Permanent positions with steady work to the right men. Physical examination necessary. Write or call in person within the next week. Employment Department, The Kansas City Railways Company, 1500 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

The spirit of the season makes us want to thank our customers for their loyal support during the year of 1917.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU.

Shop closed all day Christmas.

Reimer's Market

410 North Main street.

URGES COAL SAVING

MUST BE RIGID CONSERVATION SAYS STATE FUEL HEAD

WATCH YOUR FURNACE

Sparing Use of Electric Current Will Aid in the Saving, Also, Says Wallace Crossley

The Democrat-Forum is in receipt of the following letter from Wallace Crossley, state fuel administrator, asking that the people of this county be made acquainted with the necessity for conservation of coal. The letter follows:

We must face the fact that there is a serious shortage of coal and the utmost effort and sacrifice must be put forth by the people of Missouri to meet this situation.

In dealing with existing fuel conditions it is necessary for the public, as well as the state fuel administration, to realize that the country is facing a short supply of coal, brought about by several causes. This shortage, the federal fuel administration has announced, will be about 50,000,000 tons.

How best to meet this condition is a problem that the state fuel administration is trying to solve. It can only be accomplished with the closest possible co-operation between the people, the newspapers and the fuel administration.

The most rigid conservation of coal must be practiced by the people of Missouri. There must be no hoarding, and those who have a partial winter supply should not make an effort to procure more until all pressing needs in the community have been met. To act otherwise will be unfair, unwise and unpatriotic. It will also be unpatriotic not to save and conserve coal in every possible way in this crisis.

In many places in Missouri wood is available as a substitute for coal and a patriotic service can be accomplished by encouraging its use. A cord of wood on an average equals in heating capacity two-thirds of a ton of coal. The use of wood for domestic fuel will release coal for regions devoid of wood.

On dealing with the situation the state fuel administrator can only consider the state as a whole and make the best equitable distribution possible of the coal supply. Some parts of the state have nearly a normal supply and in others it is far below normal.

Call attention to the importance of eliminating the heating of unused rooms in homes and to the care of furnaces. Each pound of coal should be required to give its maximum unit of heat.

Urge economical use of electric current by municipalities and in the household, not only on "lightless nights," but each night in the week. Minimum use of electric current in one place may mean coal to prevent distress and suffering in another.

FARMER'S WIFE NEAR MARYVILLE FINDS ASTONISHING RELIEF

"For ten long years I had suffered with my stomach. I had tried everything without relief, but after one dose of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy I knew I had obtained what I had been looking for and I took the full course of treatment. It is going on four years now and I have never had any pains or bloating since. It is a simple harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucous from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Pearson's Pharmacy.

Dr. and Mrs. Fred C. Honnold and daughters, Mary Josephine and Virginia, arrived yesterday from Chicago to spend the holidays visiting Dr. Honnold's mother and sister, Mrs. M. J. Honnold and Mrs. George P. Bellows.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Henderson and daughters will leave tomorrow morning for Savannah to spend Christmas with Mrs. Henderson's grandmother, Mrs. John C. Burns.

WE WISH YOU JOY AND
CHRISTMAS CHEER
AND PLEASANT TIMES
THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

OREAR-HENRY DRUG CO.

A Merry Christmas

Buick

The Buick Agency

Geo. McMurry

East Side Square

We herewith epress our thanks for the liberal patronage given us during the present year—and hope that you all will enjoy the Christmas Season.

We will be closed all day Christmas.

L. S. Byers, Grocer

Corner Third and Buchanan.

Closing Out Sale

Having sold my farm, will sell my stock on farm 4½ miles southwest of Maryville, ½ mile west of Bell Grove school house on

Friday, Dec. 28, 1817

commencing at 10 o'clock the following described property:

5 HEAD OF HORSES AND MULES—Bay mare 6 years old, in foal; smooth mouth mare in foal; coming 3 year old mule, good one; weanling mule colt; filly colt.

16 HEAD OF CATTLE—7 milch cows, 6 Jerseys, extra good ones, one with calf by side; 2 year old heifer; 6 steer calves; 2 heifer calves.

20 HOGS—3 old sows, 2 to farrow soon; 5 gilts ,2 to farrow soon; 8 shoats, weight 80 to 100 lbs; 4 shoats weight 180 to 200 lbs.

CORN—3,500 bushels. 450 bushels of this corn has been sorted.

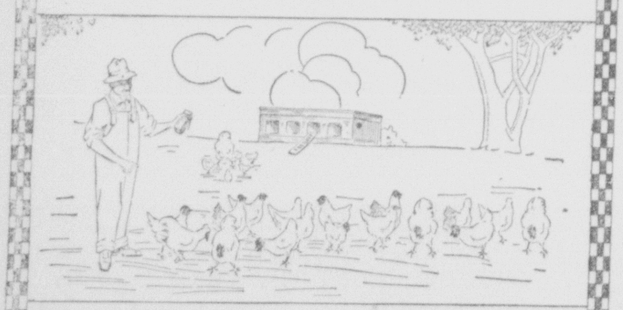
IMPLEMENTS—Hay rack, hay rake, harrow, riding cultivator, walking cultivator, go-devil, bob sled, Empire cream separator, Old Trusty incubator, 200 egg, Garland range, good as new, and many other things not mentioned.

TERMS—All sums of $10 and under, cash. On sums over $10 a credit of 3, 6 or 9 months time will be allowed, purchaser giving bankable note bearing 8% interest from date. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

J. R. Braniger, Auct.

H. A. Watts

Lice and Mites are Unknown



Where WEBB'S VAPO-KILL is Used

Vapo means Vapors. Kill means to Kill. Consequently, VAPO-KILL does just what it means. Exterminates all Insect Life, such as Lice, Mites, Etc. A few drops in Nests and on Floors of Poultry House, and then spray as directed. Concentrated, can be diluted.

50c. BOTTLE MAKES 1 GALLON. $1.00 BOTTLE MAKES 3 GALLONS.

Easiest to Use. Cheapest to Buy. We Guarantee Results.

- FOR SALE BY -

PEARSON PHARMACY

MANUFACTURED BY THE WEBB CHEMICAL CO., ST. LOUIS, MO.

GREAT CANAL IS PLANNED

Forth and Clyde Waterway Has Been Under Consideration by British for Several Years.

There has been vaguely before the public for some years a great scheme—the Forth and Clyde canal—writes a correspondent of the London Times. Germany did not declare war until the Kiel canal was completed. There can be no question that if—during these last three years—we had been able to move ships quickly and safely from one side of Scotland to the other it would have been to our benefit. That benefit will always obtain, but I am not now talking of mere transit, but of new town planning possibilities—a calculated incentive to expansion for those who wish to live under the most modern conditions, unhampered by what we now consider the mistakes of the past.

Seven years ago the government was given powers to make a road where it pleased and acquire the land on either side of it for development. Let them now consider taking their courage in both hands and themselves driving across Scotland a canal for ocean-going ships. Along its banks there would arise during its construction roads and rails and power stations, together with the houses of the men making all these. Later would follow the factories, and we should eventually have a lineal state garden city, seaport, manufacturing, residential, up-to-date and uncongestible. It would be a governmental experiment in spreading the people for their advantage.

Submarine's Lifeboat.

For a long time attempts have been made to evolve some sensible scheme for permitting a crew to escape when a submarine sinks, gets ensnared in a net, or for some reason becomes unmanageable while under water. An invention that has lately been protected by patents is described in Popular Mechanics. It is a lifeboat and, in reality, a small auxiliary submarine that normally is held in a concave seat constructed in the top part of the large craft. Water-tight hatchways are provided in each of the vessels, so that access from one to the other of them is possible. It is intended to offer a safe retreat for some thirty persons. Electric and gasoline motors would propel it and give it a radius of action estimated at about 500 miles. In the event of accident, members of the crew would enter the lifeboat, close the hatchways, free the small craft by unscrewing two large bolts that anchor it to the larger one, and rise to the surface.

She Obeyed Orders.

Some time ago, before we all got so dreadfully economical, a mistress told her new Scandinavian kitchen girl never to leave in the refrigerator anything old or left over, but to keep it clean and fresh by throwing away the old things every morning.

On the day following, the mistress happened to look out of the window and she noticed something peculiar in the yard. Calling Hulda she asked: "What is that and how did it get there?"

"That's the old ice, ma'am, left over from yesterday," answered Hilda. "I threw it away lak you tol' me."—Boston Transcript.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

List of instruments filed in the recorder's office in Nodaway county, beginning Dec. 15.

City of Maryville to William T. Garrett, lot 3 block A, Oak Hill cemetery; $1.00.

Nora B. Knight et al to Walter Yeisley, W½ NW 23, part S½ NE 22, part SE SE 10, 63, 35; $4445.

Nettie E. Runnels et al to Joseph Everhart, SW NE 9, 65, 35; $8000.

Joseph Everhart to Edwin F. Hamlin and wife, Wg, SE ¼ block 24, Maryville; $3600.

Edna Courter to Samuel Griffey, part N½ NW, 16, 65, 33; $500.

City of Maryville to Joseph P. Shanks, lot 4, block 35, Oak Hill cemetery; $12.50.

Franklin M. Schweikhardt to Jas. L. Hunt and wife, part SE SW 26, part NW SE 26, 64, 35; $4000.

Jas. L. Hunt et al to F. M. Schweikhardt and wife, Ng NW 25, 65, 35; $6100.

Pretty Fair for One Day.

Clarksburg, W. Va., Dec. 24.—Fifty dollars and sixty cents was one day' wages made by two coal miners a the Burrows coal mine near here They loaded forty-four cars and received $1.15 a car.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads

BURNING ONE'S BARN IS NO CRIME OUT IN ARKANSAS

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 24.—It's no crime in Arkansas to burn your own property, the Arkansas supreme court has ruled. It reversed the decision of the Benton county court in convicting a man accused of burning his house, which was insured for more than its value. The court ruled the state laws do not mention cases where owners burn their property.

According to the state fire marshal his department will be forced to drop about twenty cases. He will ask the next legislature to amend the law.

A LITTLE GIRL'S ARTICLE

Glendale School Pupil Writes Interesting Story on "War Bread"

The following article was written by Vinnie Stevens, 13 years old, a pupil in the seventh grade at the Glendale school. It is given just as written and was not corrected.

MAKING WAR BREAD.

First, we brought the ingredients to school. We brought four cups of flour, a cup and a half of sweet milk, one level teaspoon of salt, one heaping teaspoon of sugar, one cake of yeast, two cups of potato pulp. This was for two loaves of bread; for one loaf use just one-half the recipe.

We washed the potatoes good, dropped them into boiling water After boling until done we removed the peeling. We should have used a culender to separate from peeling, but as we did not have the time we peeled them with a knife and mashed the pulp well. Small potatoes should be used for this.

We then put one and one-half cups of sweet milk in a small basin and brought to a boil. We then cooled the milk a little so it would not scald the sponge. After doing this we dissolved the yeast into the milk The yeast may be placed in about one cup of luke warm water to dissolve, as dissolving it in milk is quite a long process. After dissolving the yeast well in the milk we added two level teaspoons of salt, two heaping teaspoons of sugar, two cups of potato pulp. Stir well and then add one and one-third cups of flour, stir well again and set to rise.

The teacher, Mr Burr, took it home that night to let it rise, as the school room was too cold, and brought it back in the morning.

We mixed it down and added the remainder of the flour in the morning and set to rise again. We let it rise two times its size.

Then we divided it into two loaves, kneaded it down and put in well greased pans. Set to rise again.

After it became light we put in a hot oven and let bake until done. Just before browning we placed a brown paper over each loaf to make brown more evenly.

The results were very good.

To Our Many Friends

and Patrons and the Flower Loving Public in General, We Wish You

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and many of them

THE ENGELMANN GREENHOUSES.

F. A. Engelmann. Alfred Engelmann.

PUBLIC SALE

Having sold my farm, I will sell at the farm 6½ miles northwest of Maryville, 2 miles south of Wilcox, on

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

the following property—

88 HEAD OF STOCK

11 Head of Horses and Mares — 1 black mare 10 years old, weighs 1450; 1 brown horse 6 years old, weighs 1350; 2 4 year old mares, weigh about 1300, one of them in foal to Mr. Golding's black horse; 1 mare 2 years old; 1 black mare 7 years old, weighs 1100, a good single driver; 1 smooth mouth sorrel horse; 1 pair smooth mouth mares, weigh 1350; 1 black horse, smooth mouth, weighs 1300; 1 bay mare, smooth mouth, weighs 1100.

Cattle—6 milch cows, some will freshen soon; 2 good 2 year old Shorthorn heifers; 3 spring calves; 1 yearling Shorthorn bull.

Hogs—1 thoroughbred Hampshire male hog; 14 brood sows, all bred; some stock hogs; 45 fall shoats. Hogs all immuned from cholera.

Hay and Grain—1,000 bushels of good corn; 15 tons hay; 4 tons good alfalfa in stack; 40 acres stalk field; 15 shocks fodder.

Implements—2 wagons, 1 low wheel wagon; 2 cultivators; 1 wheat drill; 1 mowing machine; 1 hay rake; 1 harrow; 1 lister; 1 Campbell corn drill; 2 buggies; 1 14-inch plow; 1 16x16 sulky plow; 1 scraper; 2 sets work harness, 2 sets single harness; 1 corn sheller; 1 steel tank; 1 50-gallon gas tank; 1 DeLaval cream separater.

Household and Kitchen Furniture—1 Majestic range, in good shape; 2 wood heaters; 1 china closet; 1 ice chest; 2 dining tables; 1 library table; 1 Hamilton piano, good as new; 1 rug, 11x12; 1 Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine; bed steads, springs, dressers and chairs, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Chickens and Geese—6 dozen young Brown Leghorn hens, good stuff; 6 dozen Reds and Plymouth Rock hens, young ones; 10 bushels Early Ohio potatoes.

Terms—All sums under $10 cash.On sums over $10 a credit of 3, 6 or 9 months, bearing 8% interest on bankable note. Nothing to be removed until terms of sale are complied with. Lunch by ladies of Wesley Chapel.

R. P. Hosmer, Auct.
Jos. Jackson Jr., Clerk.

R. T. Noakes

Christmas Cheer

Kind wishes, we know, are pleasant to hear and gratifying to the one on whom they are bestowed.

But kind wishes coupled with the sort of service that materializes the expression of well-being form a practical combination that leaves a lasting recollection of the well wisher.

And so with our Christmas Salutation to our customers we would couple a promise of continued service of such excellence and sufficiency as to insure permanent Christmas Cheer to our patrons.

Wishing you All a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Kuchs Bros.

BOOKS JEWELRY STATIONERY

The Spirit of Christmas

To every resident of Maryville and vicinity the officers of First National Bank and Gillam-Jackson Loan and Trust Company extend best wishes for the Christmas Season, for the year 1917 and many prosperous years to come.

And not at this season alone, but throughout the year, we maintain that cheerful, helpful spirit of service so characteristic of Christmas.

Old friendships we value and maintain — new friendships invited and encouraged.

The First National Bank

and the

Gillam-Jackson Loan & Trust Co.

MARYVILLE, MISSOURI

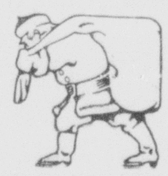
Everybody at this Bank Wishes
Everybody at your home

A Merry Christmas

Real Estate Bank

OFFICERS:
George B. Baker President. Edward E. Williams, Cashier.
Burt M. Rowley, Assistant Cashier.

Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa:—I am a little girl not quite nine years old yet. I want some candy and some nuts and a little cannon and a little car; and bring papa a plug of tobacco, and bring mother some slippers. This is a check to buy them. LULA WATTS.

Skidmore, Mo.

Dear Santa.—Please bring me a doll buggy, a doll cradle, candy and nuts. Your little friend,
MARY JONES.
Age 7 years.

Maryville, Mo.

Please bring me some roller skates and some candy and nuts and some yarn to make me some mittens and a big story book and a big doll. I am a little girl seven years old. Don't forget the soldier boys. Yours truly
LEOLA SCHROCK.

Skidmore, Mo.

Dear Santa:—Please bring me a horn and a cork gun, candy and nuts Your little friend,
MARION SCOTT LYLE.

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHOP WITH $100,000,000?

New York, Dec. 24.—New York is out shopping today with more than $100,000,000 in its pockets. This amount represents the savings of the Christmas Club, whereby a stated amount has been deposited weekly, beginning the first of the year. Many started with a deposit of two cents, adding two cents each week. This plan nets $20.50. Five dollars a week is the largest deposit weekly permitted by the club.

The Lowly Cent.

There was a time when pillaging a child's bank was considered the lowest form of larceny. That was because the enterprise was unattended by physical danger, and the prize to be gained consisted of a handful of bright Lincoln cents and buffalo nickels, with perhaps a pearl button or two. Now, with the copper cent at a premium and with the government unable to coin cents fast enough to supply the demand, it looks as if the fatuous-looking porcelain pig and the imitation strong box were in danger of an attack. The government has issued an appeal not to hoard copper cents, so that, by reading the proclamation from the director of the mint to Willie and informing him that he is a brave little patriot, every parent may pillage the juvenile safe with a clear conscience.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

BANKS SHOW PATRIOTISM BY DISCARDING "GERMAN"

Cincinnati, Dec. 24.—There are five large banks here with the word "German" in their titles. Four of them have decided to drop the word, believing it will be an evidence of their undiluted Americanism. One of the banks is in the national banking system and the other three in state. Americans of German ancestry make up a large portion of their depositors.

SHOTES ASSIST BOY IN KILLING OF BLACK BEAR

Warren, Pa., Dec. 24.—Willie Hackenschmidt, fifteen, of Salmon Creek came to town the other day with a 250-pound black bear on his farm wagon.

"I couldn't have got him if it had not been for father's pigs," he explained. "I was out in the woods after rabbits when I heard one of the pigs squeal. I ran toward the sound, and when I got there a big black bear had one of the little squealers in his paws. The others were crazy. They were pawing the bear all over. He dropped the pig and started to run when he saw me, but the pigs held him until I could get close enough to give him both barrels."

SMALL IN STATURE, YET IS MIGHTY IN ABILITY

Dayton, O., Dec. 25.—Major W. A. Bishop is only twenty-three years old and five feet, five inches tall, but—

He has been in 110 air battles in France, shot down forty-seven Hun aeroplanes, battled single-handed with four enemy airplanes simultaneously, wrecking three of them, and has been wounded only once.

For which accomplishments he now wears the Victoria Cross, Distinguished Service Order and the British Military Cross. He was in action only five months.

Now he is at the aviation school near here teaching aerial gunnery to American air cadets.

COLLEGE BOYS INTEREST THEMSELVES IN CHICKENS

Lawrence, Kans., Dec. 24.—To aid in the war, the Phi Kappa Psi, of the Kansas University, has undertaken the task of raising chickens. Some time ago a farmer advertised young chickens for sale. The fraternity bought his entire stock, some twenty-seven little chicks. They took them to their fraternity house and prepared a place for them.

Now, every morning and evening the men have an added chore, that of looking after the little chicks. However, bright visions of future chicken dinners are urging them to keep their tasks.

Miss Martha Rhoades and Miss Pearl Moser of St. Joseph, who have been attending the Normal, have returned to their homes for vacation.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

THE RESPONSIBILITY RESTS ENTIRELY WITH US WHEN WE DO

The Family WASH 6c lb

This responsibility does not stop with a mere promise to provide adequately and give the best work and service—it is backed up with a POSITIVE GUARANTEE TO SATISFY YOU IN EVERY DETAIL.

Your washing must be done better than you can do it, or any body else, or we won't expect pay for it. That is our policy in everything we do. We strive to please every customer, and you'll oblige us very much by letting us know if there is any part of your order that has failed to come up to your expectations.

We learned the value of doing all work well and every bundle that leaves our plant is inspected closely and if the work does not satisfy our inspector, we know it won't you. So look at your washing when it is returned to you, and do not hesitate to call us if our work fails to satisfy you.

Bundles—Minimum Charge Sixty Cents

Stop Our Driver or Call 700

Maryville Laundry Company

MANY THANKS.

We express our thankfulness for the patronage given us during the short time—only since December 1 — which we have been in business here.

A Merry Christmas to You.

Garrett Hardware Company.
England & Sawyer, Prop.

37% More For Your Money
Get the Genuine
HILL'S CASCARA BROMIDE QUININE

No advance in price for this 20-year-old remedy—25c for 24 tablets—Some cold tablets now 30c for 21 tablets—Figured on proportionate cost per tablet, you save 9½c when you buy Hill's—Cures Cold in 24 hours—grip in 3 days—Money back if it fails.
24 Tablets for 25c.
At any Drug Store

With Hearty Christmas Greetings
and every good wish for
Your happiness in the
New Year.
The Home of the
Ford Car, which travels in
any kind of weather.

Barmann Auto Co.

May your Christmas
be happy in 1,000 ways.
and last you 365 days.

Montgomery Shoe Company.

Greetings

To all our friends with full
appreciation of the
Yuletide Spirit

To Old Friends—To New Friends
To Friends We Hope to Make

Tpe Officers and Directors of this Institution of service for all extend friendly greetings for a Merry Christmas and a joyful Holiday Season.

Farmers Trust Company

Holiday Greetings

We are grateful for your patronage during the year and give our best wishes to you for a pleasant Holiday Season.

Sewell Auto Co.
Firestone Tires Overland Cars

This is Just to Say

That we are glad to thank you for your trade during the year 1917.

May the Holiday Season bring the greatest happiness to you.

The Moose Cafe
South Side Square.

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THAT BRING RESULTS

RATES IN THIS COLUMN

Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one-half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

Ads running less than three days or interrupted insertions 1 cent per word each insertion. Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for cash with order. An extra charge of five cents will be made on all Want Ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Good list of prime real estate mortgage loans for disposal, in amounts to suit investors. See us for terms. Over Nodaway Valley Bank. The Sisson Loan & Title Co. 21tf

FOR SALE—Johnson Co. white seed corn in ear, (guaranteed to give satisfactory test, ready now. Call Farmers 41-15 or Hanamo 108. M. C. Thompson. 17tf

FOR SALE—A few barrels choice Jonathan apples, sold by the barrel only. J. W. Ray, Hanamo phone 5222. 15-tf

FOR SALE — Used upright piano, mahogany case, good as new. Bargain for some one. Landon Music Co. 19-26

FOR SALE—Two young red cows, just freshened; quiet and fair milkers; one has white faced bull calf, other no calf; $150 for both; will sell either. Elmer Fraser, both phones. 18-24

FOR SALE OR TRADE—2 pianos one a Kimball; dining room set, 2 heaters, 2 cook stoves, dresser, chairs beautiful ferns, household goods o all kinds, long distance phone, violin Mrs. Highbarger, 417 E. First street 21-24

FOR SALE—Small man's gray overcoat, good as new. Inquire 202 East First street. 24-27

A BARGAIN—Oakland touring car in fine shape. Three practically new tires, spare tire and rim, electric lights, starter. Have no further use for car. $600 takes it. Room 6, Michau Bldg. 22-26*

FOR SALE — Recorded Short-Horn bull calves, red roans. W. F. Kennedy, Parnell, Mo. 24-27*

FOR SALE—Car Beloit shorts, extra quality, special price, off car. Yewell & Son. 22-26

FOR SALE—850 bu. good corn in crib, $1.25 per bu., cash only. No delivery. Lester McKillip, Route 7. 22-26*

WANTED

Telephone Operators

Alert, intelligent young women are wanted for telephone operators; paid while learning; excellent opportunity for advancement; good surroundings and working conditions.

Apply first floor, 112 West Third Street.

Hanamo Telephone Co.

WANTED—Good news correspondent at Burlington Junction, Hopkins, Skidmore, Barnard and Ravenwood. For further information write or call at Democrat-Forum office, Maryville, Mo.

WANTED—You to buy for father brother or soldier friend a box o HANSEN'S CIGARS. 21-2

WANTED—Young man to make himself generally useful and earn tuition fro business course in the Business University. Apply at once. 24-27

WANTED — The use of sewing machine for Lasher Red Cross auxiliary. Ella O'Grady, Farmers 6-13. 21-24

WANTED — Neat colored girl and janitor at Business University. See Prof. Padgett at Bainum Hotel. 24-27

WANTED — Stenographer or typewriter operator. Beginner acceptable if proficient. Apply to Prof. Padgett at Bainum Hotel or the Business University. 24-27

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT — Front rooms over South Side bakery, formerly occupied by U. S. Recruiting Station. Inquire of Kate Schenck, Hanamo 683. 30tf.

FOR RENT — Two nicely furnished adjoining rooms, bed room and sitting room, private entrance, in modern home, private family; good location, five minutes from square; good meals close. Address A, Democrat-Forum office.

LOST

LOST — Tiger claw Masonic watch charm. Return to J. A. Ford. 24-27

LOST — Watch between the publi school and Felix & Cline Veterinary hospital on East Second. Reward Return to Democrat-Forum office. 21-24

LOST—Child's brown fur neck piece. Return to Mrs. Clarence Workman or this office. 24-27*

LOST OR TAKEN BY MISTAKE — Package containing lady's skir and dresser scarf. Return to Bee Hive Shoe Store. 22-26*

TAKEN BY MISTAKE—Some ging ham. Owner may have same by pay ng for ad and identifying. 22-2b

MISCELLANEOUS

PLUMBING—We make a specialty of installing modern plumbing in old houses and remodeling old plumbing; estimates free. Standard Plumbing Co., Hanamo 46.

FURS—We are in the market to pa, you the highest price for all you furs. Satisfaction or your goods back Also all kinds of junk. Ship or cal Maryville Iron & Metal Co., at Glove & Alexander's Mill. 22-29

NOT IN THE TRUST—A reduction on cigars for the soldier boys at Hausen's. 21-24

STRAYED—From my place, 5 mile northwest of Maryville, white face bull calf. A. E. Cockayne, Farmer 34-16. 22-26

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Special to The Democrat-Forum.

Grain Market Future

Kansas City, Dec. 24.—CORN—December, $1.28; May, $1.25.

Kansas City Live Stock

Kansas City, Dec. 24.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4500; steers, $10 @ $17.50 cows, $5 @ $13.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 7,000; top, $16.75 bulk, $15.85 @ $16.65.

Chicago Live Stock

Chicago, Dec. 24. — CATTLE — Receipts, 2,000; market, strong.

HOGS—Receipts, 18,000; market 10 higher; top, $16.60.

St Joseph Live Stock

St. Joseph, Dec. 24.—CATTLE—Receipts, 14,000; market, 10 higher.

HOGS—Receipts, 23,000; market 15 higher; top, $17.

Come to see "Dickens' Christmas Carol" at the Christian church tomorrow night. The Lyceum Course number. It's a great picture.

U. I. Willson rturned this morning from Chicago, where he was called on account of the illness of his son, Paul Willson, who is improving.

Come to see "Dickens' Christmas Carol" at the Christian church tomorrow night. The Lyceum Course number. It's a great picture.

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Rates $1.50 to $3.00
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STYLE FOR ARAB WEDDING

Bridegroom Must Ride Nervous Horse Without Reins or Stirrups, in Middle of Procession.

Coming through the streets of Algiers of an evening you may meet a noisy procession that causes you to wonder whether it is a food riot or a revolutionists' parade. This is an Arab wedding procession, one of the most ingenious devices ever developed for the embarrassment and mental torture of the bridegroom, says a globe trotter.

It is headed by the father of the bridegroom, an elderly gentleman, who paces soberly ahead, out of the confusion, attended by a few philosophical friends, all clad in white. Behind him come a mob of young men carrying torches and lanterns tied to the ends of poles, beating drums and blowing tin horns, yelling at the top of healthy voices. The center of the procession is made up of particular friends of the bridegroom, who burn red and green flares in addition to waving torches of the milder sort. Behind them is a band of hired musicians, trailed by all the small boys, dogs and idlers of Algiers.

All this parade naturally attracts a certain amount of attention. In the middle of it, mounted on a nervous horse, very much embarrassed and self-conscious, rides the bridegroom. He seems to ride very unsteadily and awkwardly, but closer observation shows he is doing well to ride at all, for friends have taken the stirrups from his feet and the reins from his hands so that he has to hold on by force of gravity and his sense of equilibrium. The red fire and the drums generally stimulate his mount to superequine activity, and it is a marvel that none of the enthusiastic friends get stepped on. The bridegroom, it is safe to surmise, is not sorry when his triumphal procession is over.

As for the bride, she escapes all this. A few of her girl friends accompany her on a quiet procession of her own in the afternoon when she leaves her father's house for her new home.

PREFERS MIDDLE OF COACH

Safest Place in Case of Accident and Far More Comfortable Riding, Old Engineer's Opinion.

Two men going on a short railroad trip entered a car and the one in the lead walked immediately to the first vacant seat, which was on the left side near the door.

"Come on up here," said his companion as he gave a tug at the other's arm. "Here's a good seat." With that the two went to a place near the middle of the car on the right side.

"What's the game?" asked the first traveler of his friend, who was an old time railroad engineer, as the two plumped down into the seat chosen by the latter. "I can't see any difference in the seats. One looks as good to me as the other in a railroad train, except that sometimes when traveling at night I want to take a position in which the lights strikes my paper when I desire to read."

"When I get into a car," replied the ex-engine driver, "I always try to get on the right side near the middle, as it is the safest in case of an accident. In the first place, the right side is in less danger from a side swipe, especially on a two-track line. In the second place, if a collision should occur the middle of the car generally is the least damaged, it seldom being much affected if the cars telescope. In the third place there is more comfort, because a passenger can escape riding over the trucks, as the points above the wheels get most of the bumping and noise."

Usual Conversation.

The first exclamation from a woman shopper when she sees anything that attracts her attention is, "Oh, aren't they sweet?" And as she stops to paw whatever it is, she inquires the price. If it suits her pocketbook the next question is, "Do you guarantee them?" Recently a fastidious young thing fluttered her way down the lingerie aisle of a New York emporium and halted before a counter whereon was heaped what the advertisement writers term robes du nuit, but which facetious persons call "nighties." The young woman gurgled with delight. After satisfying herself that they were all right she inquired the price. Then she hesitated for a moment and out came the old stereotyped question: "Do you guarantee them?" "Certainly, ma'am," replied the clerk glibly, "you can't wear them out."

About Cleanliness.

How much there is in habit and training! It is considered the heighth of ill-breeding to take up food with the fingers, and yet there are nations which eat with their fingers, and defend the practice on the ground of cleanliness.

"Excuse me," said a Malay gentleman to his American guest, "but I don't see how you can eat with a fork."

"I beg your pardon," said the guest, "but I was about to make the same remark about your fingers."

"My fingers," replied the Malay, "are certainly clean, because I see to them myself; but how can you be sure of a fork?"

Knowledge of Power.

Pat (watching airplane's flight)—But what poozles me, Tirence, is what the mischief kapes it up.

Terence—Shure, 'tis little ye know, Pat Casey, uv the terrific foorce uv gravitation.

ECONOMICS IN THE BIBLE

Everlasting Truth to Be Found in One of the Injunctions Laid Down By Christ.

There is a vast deal of sound economics in the new testament, says a writer in the American Magazine. Be selfish nobly. "Love thy neighbor as thyself." When Christ said that, he set it down as an everlasting truth that man must love himself in order to achieve anything at all in this world, and that the attempt to love another as he does himself is to struggle toward an ideal.

Moreover, when he told the rich young man to give all he had to the poor, he issued the command not because he despised money and the things money symbolizes, but because he saw that this particular young man was a waster, one who "couldn't stand prosperity," and that the use he made of his money harmed him instead of helping him. There were "quarter horses" 2,000 years ago, just as there are "quarter horses" today.

To be selfish in a fine way is to carry out one's highest destiny. That is real philosophy. It is also real common sense. Why is a man put into the world if it is not to make the best of himself, to improve himself, to impress himself on his community and his world? That is just what he is intended to do.

And he does it in two ways: The first is by his acquisitiveness, his power to get things; it matters not whether what he gets is money, or learning, or power of eloquence, or the serenity of lofty thought. The second is by using properly what he has got whether it is money, or learning, or power. And if he does use it properly he is on sure ground. To use it properly means that he uses it for his own good and, incidentally, for the good of others, that he wastes it neither in foolish living nor in extravagant living, and, above all, that he uses it so that it increases even while it is being used, so that, in the end, he always grows in power and self-sufficiency.

WHEN ONE MAKES MISTAKES

Extenuating Circumstances Are Usually Cited as Excuse for the Majority of Blunders.

The average fair-minded man admits that he makes mistakes at times, but, and there always is the extenuating "but" when we seek to excuse our failures, he believes, even if unconsciously, that the mistakes that others make are bigger mistakes than his, says the Charleston News and Courier. Deep down in our hearts the roots of self-complacency strike—so deep, in fact, that with most of us it is useless to try and pull them out. At those rare times, when we see ourselves as others see us, when we begin to understand that we are at fault to a larger degree than the other man, we may make an honest effort to overcome the disposition to yield to self-satisfaction, but unless we work hard and patiently and perseveringly we will find ourselves forever falling back into the old habit. It is so easy to criticize something that another person does that fails to meet our approval, and so entirely natural to think that we would never be guilty of a like weakness.

We might have made a mistake, we argue, but we would have discovered the error in time to correct it, and certainly we never would have blundered to the extent of our neighbor. How do we know what we would have done in similar circumstances, however, and why should we assume a position of superiority which in truth we are not entitled to assume? It is enough for us to concern ourselves with out own failures, our own mistakes, our own shortcomings, and to leave to others the readjustment of their own lives.

Canaries' Music Lessons.

There are a large number of varieties of the domestic canary. Many of them are bred primarily for their song, and their training makes an interesting story. The aim is to produce males with clear, soft, pleasing songs with long rolls or trills, and no attention is given to other characters, writes a bird raiser. These birds are usually nondescript as to color and appearance. The young birds when fledged are put in rooms with birds noted for their soft and fine song, and here, through imitation, they develop their own vocal accomplishments. Any bird developing harsh notes is removed so that he may not endanger the vocal success of his brothers. It is said that a mechanical instrument known as a "bird organ," which produces liquid trills, is frequently used in training the birds. The musical course for a canary covers about six months' tuition and practice.

Potatoes a Modern Food.

Only within the last century has the potato become a staple of our dinner tables, says the Journal of Heredity. It was first discovered by the Spaniards in Ecuador and first mentioned in 1550. By 1585 it had been brought to North America, whence Sir Walter Raleigh took it to England a year later. Until about a hundred years ago it was despised as a food for human beings, except as an emergency ration in times of famine, but was widely used as food for animals.

He Had Faith.

"Count, my father has lost all his money."

"I will marry you, anyhow."

"Do you really mean it?"

"Yes; a man like your father can easily make another fortune."

WOMEN IN DRAMATIC ROLES

Famous Heroines in Various Shakespearean Characters, as Detailed by Noted Danish Critic.

The following characterizations of Shakespeare's women are from the pen of Dr. George Brandes, the famous Danish, critic, the Philadelphia Inquirer states:

Katharine, "Taming of the Shrew;" high-spirited, self-willed, but lovable. Beatrice, "Much Ado About Nothing;" high intellect, combative, energetic, daringly witty. Rosalind, "As You Like It;" gay without a sting, sensitive and intelligent; loving passionately and being passionately loved. Viola, "Twelfth Night;" sound of understanding, emotional, deep and patient, with great power of passive love. Lady Macbeth, "Macbeth;" wicked even to the point of brutality under stress of passionate love and great ambition. Portia, "Merchant of Venice;" thoroughly genuine, almost masculine, yet most womanly in power of self-surrender. Helena, "Love's Labor Lost;" high souled type of loving and cruelly maltreated woman. Tamora, "Titus Andronicus;" powerful intellect, defiant of morality. Juliet, Romeo and Juliet;" passionate love, yet under control of principle. Cordelia, "King Lear;" filial love, kindness of heart. Cleopatra, "Anthony and Cleopatra;" quintessentially erotic emotion chemically free from all other elements. Marina "Pericles;" nobility of character. Isabelle, "Measure for Measure;" spotless purity of soul. Imogen, "Cymbeline;" born for happiness, inured to suffering, calm, collected. Hermione, "Winter's Tale;" majestically lovable, grand and gracious simplicity. Ophelia, "Hamlet;" unobtrusive affection, devotion even to insanity. Miranda, "Tempest;" all that is admirable in woman, maidenly, immaculate. Desdemona, "Othello;" victim of jealousy.

MILLIONS WORK IN MINES

More Than Half of the 6,000,000 Men Employed Below Earth's Surface Dig Coal.

The magnitude of the mining industry may be grasped when one realizes that more than 6,000,000 men are engaged in the mines of the world. Of this number 3,800,000 are employed in the coal mines and 2,200,000 in the metal mines. In addition, millions more are engaged in allied industries dependent directly upon the mines for coal and metal, according to the Engineering and Mining Journal.

Mining is one of the hazardous industries employing over 1,000,000 men in the United States, in which three out of every 1,000 men employed are killed every year by reason of some accident. While complete data relating to non-fatal injuries are not available, reports to the United States bureau of mines for all metal mines in the United States show that about 200 men per thousand per year are injured sufficiently to cause a loss of time. A reduction of 50 per cent in the number of mine accidents would mean a saving of 1,500 lives in the United States every year, in addition to reducing the loss of time and suffering resulting from more than 200,000 non-fatal injuries.

Snow and Ice Worms.

There are at present known in the world approximately 60 species and varieties of snow and ice worms. Sexually mature specimens, yellowish to a dark reddish brown or black in color, about an inch long and one-twentieth inch in diameter were found in February and April (1916) abundantly on the open snow fields of Mount Rainier, at an elevation of 2,750 to 5,600 feet above sea level. They also occurred on the snow on the mountain slope protected by a dense forest of fir and hemlock.

These worms have not thus far been found on solid ice nor on the glaciers, though they occur on the snow below the ice from and outside of the lateral moraines of the Nisqually glacier. The snow on which they were found is not permanent through the entire season, but melts with the coming of summer, and it therefore appears that a part of their life must be spent on or in the ground.

Telephone Many Years Ago.

There are not so many new things under the sun as people suppose. The telephone has the credit of being an entire novelty, yet Robert Hooke two hundred and odd years ago, wrote:

"I have by a distended wire propagated sound to a very considerable distance in an instant, or with as seemingly quick a motion as that of light; and this not only in a straight line, or direct, but in one bended in many angles."

Here was the invention of the telephone right in hand, so to speak, only Hooke did not follow up the lead. So the world had to wait two centuries for the admirable instrument which saves so much of humanity's time today.

How Silk Worms Work.

On attaining their full growth silk worms seek something to which to attach themselves in order to wind themselves up in their silk envelopes. Having found it, the worm spins a thread from 500 to 1,000 yards long, wrapping it around its body as it spins. This takes from 36 to 48 hours. If left alone the worm's skin hardens, its internal organs disintegrate to a thin jelly and then begin reorganizing themselves into those of a butterfly. Within a week or ten days it would be a butterfly and as such would eat its way out through its envelope of silk.

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Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been issued:

Elmer Hindeshell and Lola Sharp, both of Wayside.

Clark Lambert of Wilcox and Fern Blakesley of Burlington Junction.

Judge Jesse Robertson preformed the marriage ceremony.

E. L. Shores and Blanche Shanklin both of Pickering.

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U.S. TROOPS TO BEAR BRUNT

American Troops Will Soon Form the Principal Body of Fresh Reserves on Battle Lines

Washington, Dec. 24. — American troops will soon form the principal body of the fresh stragetic reserves on the battle field and will bear the brunt of battle, says Secretary of War Baker in his weekly war review issued today. Peace feelers and preparations for an intensive drive in the west are the result. The Italians have been successful in repiusing the Austro-German attacks, the statement adds.

Francis Preparing Statement.

Petrograd, Dec. 24. — Ambassador Francis is preparing a statement fully explaining the shipment of Red Cross supplies through the Ukraine to reach their destination.

Washington, Dec. 24. — Officials today bitterly resented the charge by Trotsky that America was a party to the plot to help General Kaledines and the Cossacks against the Bolsheviki. Lansing said the charge that the plot was under cover of the Red Cross was false.

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RECORD BUSINESS

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more box goods and have had a big demand for them."

The Landon Music company reports a large holiday trade. In anticipation of a scarcity of pianos, Mr. Landon placed a large order almost a year ago, and these have all been sold. There has been a big demand for player-pianos and victrolas this year, most of them going into farm homes.

Athen, of the Kandy Kitchen. "Our business has been as good or better than last year and the year before. This is a wealthy country and there will never be any trouble about business."

FIVE SIGNED FURLOUGH PERMIT

Red Tape Necessary to Secure Permission to Leave Ft. Leavenworth

Edison Blagg, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Blagg, is home for a few days from Ft. Leavenworth. Getting permission to be absent from an army camp is a process that entails a large amount of red tape. The pass carried by Private Blagg carries five signatures and reads as follows.

SPECIAL PASS

Fort Leavenworth, Kans.,
December 21, 1917.

Private first - class, Edison W. Blagg, 7th Engineer Train, Inf., has permission to be absent from Reveille, December 24th, 1917, to Reveille, December 28th, 1917, to visit his parents in Maryville, Mo.

PETER MURPHY,
1st Lt. Corps of Engrs.
Comdg. 7th Engr. Train. Inf.

Recommending Approval:
C. A. F. FLAGLER, Col. C. E.
By:
HAMILTON D. JAMES,
1st Lt. Engr. R. C.
Asst. Adjutant.

Approved:
By order of
Col. Shunk
OWEN MORROW,
Lieut. Corps of Engrs.
Asst. Adjutant.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads

Closing Out Sale

At L. M. Strader farm, 2 miles north, ½ mile east of Harmony church, 6½ miles northwest of Ravenwood, on

Monday, December 31, 1917

16 HEAD OF JERSEY CATTLE—Bull; cow with bull calf by side; 5 cows, one to be fresh in February, 4 fresh in September; 3 coming 2 year old heifers, fresh in September; 3 heifer calves; 2 bull calves.

35 HEAD OF POLAND-CHINA HOGS—Consisting of Gilts, 3 males from litter of 11, no runts, weighing from 100 to 150.

3 HEAD OF HORSES—Percheron mare, in foal, 6 years old; bay Belgian mare, in foal, 17 years old; bay gelding mare, in foal, 18 years old.

IMPLEMENTS—Janesville corn planter with bean attachment and furrow openers, nearly new; DeLaval separator, corn binder, disc cultivator, hay rake, Jones mower, harrow, about 10 acres corn in field, hay in barn, household furniture.

TERMS—6 or 9 months time on bankable note, at 8% interest from date. Lunch by Ladies Aid of Harmony church.

R. P. HOSMER, Auct.
S. H. KEMP, Clerk.

Strader & Richard

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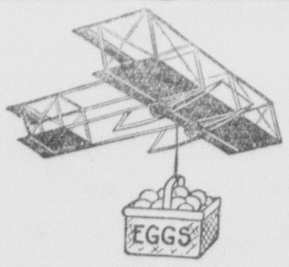

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